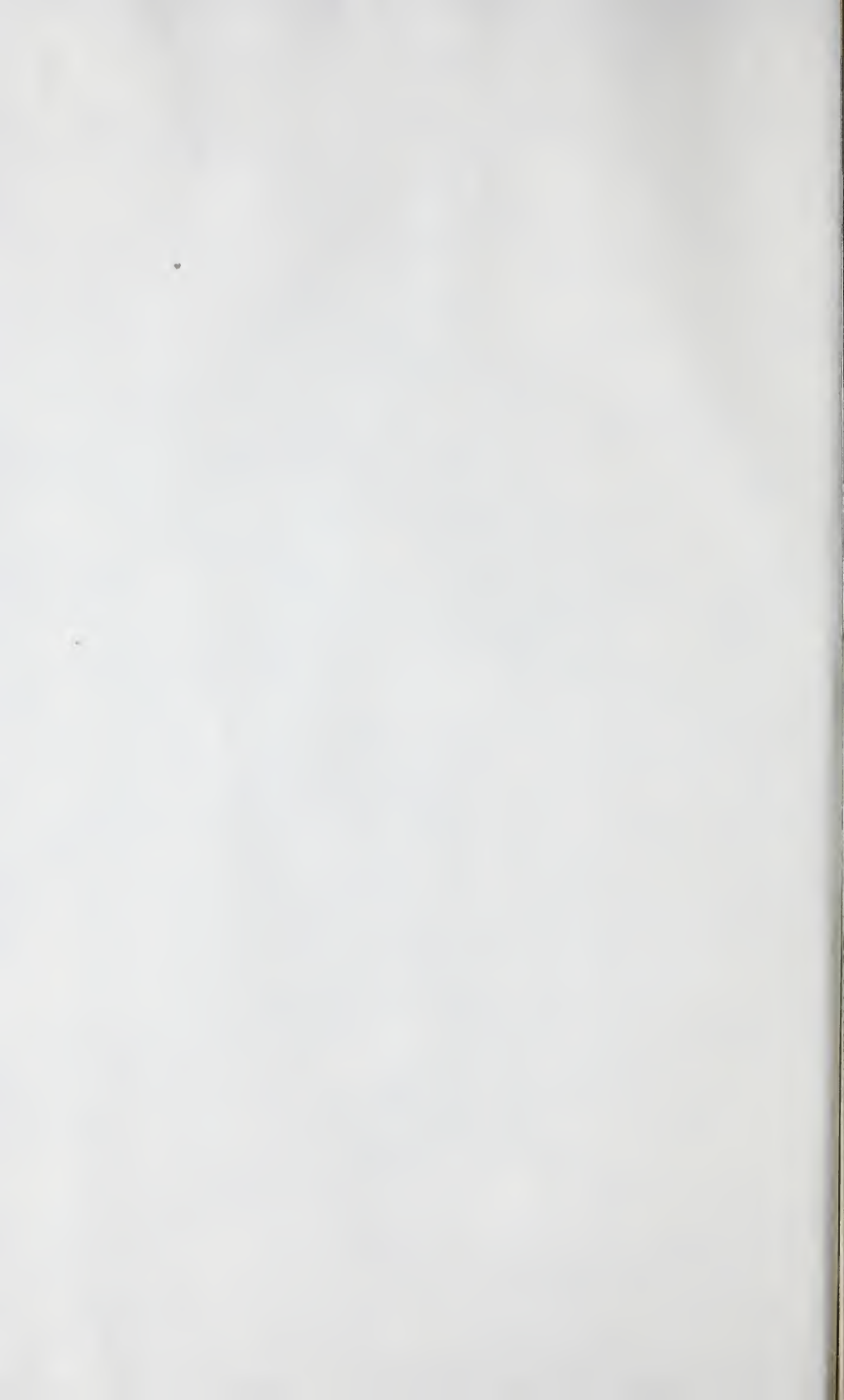




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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

GREENFIELD, N. H.

MARCH 1, 1875.

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SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. I.

Prudential Committee, John R. Russell.

Summer Term, taught by Nellie M. Emerson.

Miss Emerson gave good satisfaction. She entered upon her work with a natural fitness and with much earnestness, and a good work was done in this school.

Winter Term, taught by C. F. Davis.

This teacher has a very easy and pleasant way in the school room. The order and improvement of the school we think very good.

DISTRICT NO. II.

Prudential Committee, Milton Duncklee.

Summer and Winter Terms, taught by Abbie N. Partridge.

The terms were short, but we think the improvement good.

DISTRICT NO. III.

Prudential Committee, Frank Brooks.

Summer and Fall Terms, taught by Ida L. Patch.

Your committee was not in at the close of either term. On account of sickness the summer term closed one week sooner than it would otherwise have done. When the fall term closed your committee was not in town. At the commencement of both terms the school appeared well.

Winter Term, taught by D. A. Stiles.

The examination was very good, and did credit both to pupils and teacher. Such a school as this needs an experienced teacher, and we think the district very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Stiles.

DISTRICT NO. IV.

Union District—Bennington and Greenfield.

Teacher, Miss Mary E. Robertson.

This district had only one term. The recitations showed that the time had been well spent.

DISTRICTS NOS. V. AND VIII.

Prudential Committee, James T. Robertson.

Summer Term, taught by Mary E. Robertson.

We think Miss Robertson gave good satisfaction.

Winter Term, taught by John T. Robertson.

Your committee was well pleased with this school. Mr. Robertson retained his former reputation.

No. 6—no school.

DISTRICT NO. VII.

Prudential Committee, Willis D. Hardy.

Summer Term, taught by Lizzie M. Partridge.

This school appeared well, and good improvement was made.

Winter Term, taught by Mrs. Willis D. Hardy.

She is one that sees the work to be done, and knows how to do it. *A very good school.*

DISTRICT NO. X.

Prudential Committee, John Fletcher.

Summer Term, teacher, Vila A. Fletcher.

This school was short, but we could see progress had been made. A number in this school went through the term without whispering.

Winter Term, teacher, Miss Sarah E. McLane.

Some of the large boys were not in at the examination. Those who were in did well.

THE HIGH SCHOOL,

taught by J. B. Twiss, was not in every respect all we could wish; but very good improvement was made in some branches, particularly in reading and spelling. Much knowledge is gained by experience. We think with more experience, Mr. Twiss may make a very successful teacher. We are sorry that all of our scholars who are old enough and qualified to attend this school, do not avail themselves of this privilege. We hope if money is raised for another term at our next town meeting, three men will be then chosen to hire a teacher and look after the interest of the school. As citizens, if we feel an interest in this school, I think we fail to show it. Fellow-citizens, let us try to raise the standard of education in our town.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following names have no marks in the register for either absence, tardiness or dismissal:

SUMMER TERM.

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Mary A. Blanchard, | Rosa Nichols, |
| Ella Blanchard, | Ida Fletcher, |
| John H. Holt, | Mary Gould, |
| Georgianna Holt, | Mary Blake, |
| Hattie M. Draper, | Mary Cain, |
| Clara S. Russell, | Fred Hartshorn, |
| Nellie F. Fletcher, | Perley Hartshorn, |
| Ella M. Hardy, | Rosa Lowe, |
| Sarah Blake, | Charlie Reynolds, |

Abbie F. Hopkins,
 Nettie L. Goddard,
 Lillian G. Hopkins,
 Jennie P. Brooks,
 Minnie S. Brooks,
 Willie W. Whittemore,

Charles Swinington,
 Sarah E. Grimes,
 Sarah A. Dutton,
 Charlie E. Dodge,
 Ezra R. Dutton.

WITHOUT WHISPERING.

Sarah E. Grimes,
 Susie A. Wood,
 Sarah A. Dutton,
 Lois I. Dutton,
 Charlie E. Dodge,

Mark M. Grimes,
 Ella M. Hardy,
 Ida M. Fletcher,
 Etna J. Fletcher.

Nos. 5 and 8—21 scholars went through the year
 without tardiness or dismissal.

A. N. HARDY,

S. S. Committee.

TABULAR VIEW OF THE SCHOOLS.

| TEACHERS' NAMES. | | RESIDENCE. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|--------|----------|--------|
| SUMMER SCHOOLS. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DISTRICTS. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Nellie M. Emerson..... | Francesstown..... | \$24 00 | 9 | 19 | 14 | 20 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 41 | \$2 84 | \$ 63 33 | \$3 58 |
| 2 | Abbie N. Partridge..... | Greenfield..... | 22 00 | 6 | 10 | 9 | 14 | .. | 8 | 2 | 13 | 2 70 | 47 40 | 3 38 |
| 3 | Ida L. Patch..... | Francesstown..... | 26 00 | 7 | 33 | 29 | 24 | 20 | 12 | 1 | 4 | 1 38 | 241 50 | 5 25 |
| 3-8 | Ida L. Patch—Fall Term..... | " | 26 00 | 8 | 33 | 25 | 20 | 55 | 3 | 1 | 28 | 1 57 | .. | .. |
| 5-8 | Mary E. Robertson..... | Greenfield..... | 20 00 | 6 | 15 | 12 | .. | .. | 4 | 2 | 15 | 2 00 | 82 42 | 3 92 |
| 7 | Lizzie M. Partridge..... | " | 20 00 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 19 | 4 09 | 80 45 | 5 26 |
| 10 | Villa A. Fletcher..... | " | 20 00 | 6 | 19 | 16 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 19 | 1 58 | 68 66 | 2 86 |
| WINTER TERM. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | C. F. Davis..... | Peterboro..... | 34 00 | 7 | 4 | 24 | 21 | 63 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 2 49 | .. | .. |
| 2 | Abbie N. Partridge..... | Greenfield..... | 28 00 | 7 | 14 | 12 | 19 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 3 50 | .. | .. |
| 3 | D. A. Stiles..... | Mont Vernon..... | 48 00 | 12 | 35 | 32 | 38 | 15 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 4 11 | .. | .. |
| 4 | Mary E. Robertson..... | Greenfield..... | 20 00 | 11 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 12 | 11 | 2 | 5 | 4 83 | 38 65 | 4 83 |
| 5-8 | John T. Robertson..... | " | 28 00 | 7 | 21 | 19 | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 21 | 2 33 | .. | .. |
| 7 | Mrs. W. D. Hardy..... | " | 20 00 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 95 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 4 09 | .. | .. |
| 10 | Sarah E. McLane..... | New Boston..... | 20 00 | 6 | 21 | 18 | 4 | 16 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 1 42 | .. | .. |

Wages of Teacher per month, including board.

Weeks of School.

Number of Scholars.

Average Attendance.

Tardinesses.

Dismissals.

Not absent one-half day.

Visits of S. S. Committee.

Visits of Prud. Committee.

Visits of Citizens.

Cost per scholar each term.

Amount of money appropriated for the year.

Amount for each scholar for the year.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

RENDERED FEBRUARY 22, 1875.

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Assessed upon the polls and estates of residents, and upon the estates of non-residents of the Town of Greenfield, for the year 1874, | \$3870 70 |
| Amount of dog tax, | 45 00 |

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Received of the taxes assessed, | \$3124 45 |
| on dog tax, | 17 00 |
| on tax list, 1873, | 788 49 |
| Dog tax, 1873, | 14 00 |
| Tax list, 1872, | 36 29 |
| Dog tax, 1872, | 1 00 |
| Tax list, 1871, | 8 00 |
| of Treasurer, 1873, | 242 07 |
| for use of hay scales, | 15 45 |
| “ town house, | 14 50 |
| Savings bank tax, | 541 45 |
| Railroad “ | 33 05 |
| Literary fund, | 57 40 |
| by notes, | 700 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5593 15 |

BREAKING ROADS.

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------------|----------|
| Paid J. C. P. Draper, 1873-4, | \$11 83 | William Savage, | 8 70 |
| John M. Duncklee, | 4 00 | Mark Rogers, | 12 12 |
| Taylor D. Lakin, | 13 81 | Nathaniel Morrison, | 2 40 |
| Levi Dodge, | 11 77 | William Story, | 5 25 |
| John Grimes, | 3 90 | Charles B. Wallace, | 3 75 |
| S. G. Hartshorn, | 10 80 | Charles M. Butler, | 7 85 |
| William Munhall, | 4 60 | | |
| Daniel W. Flynn, | 8 32 | | |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$109 10 |

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Paid Horace Cudworth, | \$40 50 |
| Earl Searles, | 3 90 |
| J. C. P. Draper, | 9 00 |
| Edwin J. Downing, | 2 00 |
| Willis D. Hardy, | 1 40 |
| James Sawyer, | 28 00 |
| Arthur Watts, | 3 00 |

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Samuel Dascomb, | 1 00 |
| John R. Russell, | 17 25 |
| Reuben A. Dutton, | 4 00 |
| John Grimes, | 178 43 |
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 8 37 |
| Frank Brooks, | 1 00 |
| William Munhall, | 6 15 |
| Gilman P. Fletcher, | 5 00 |
| Charles S. Lowe, | 2 00 |
| William Savage, | 47 00 |
| C. H. Hopkins & Co., | 2 75 |
| Leonard Bailey, | 73 32 |
| Lyman I. Straw, | 3 00 |
| Samuel Fisher, | 5 00 |
| Charles B. Wallace, | 95 55 |
| Albert L. Murphy, | 25 00 |
| J. Joslin, | 6 25 |
| Luke E. Burt, | 15 75 |
| John F. Savage, | 17 25 |
| James E. Stearns, | 42 85 |
| James Lewis, | 100 00 |
| Albert W. Huntington, | 8 75 |
| Newel J. Sawyer, | 12 25 |
| Sidney H. Hardy, | 4 00 |
| Hopkins Brothers, | 20 00 |

 \$789 72

EXPENSE OF BUILDING NEW ROAD.

| | |
|--|----------|
| Paid John R. Russell, land damage. | \$ 35 00 |
| John R. Russell, bridge timbers and hauling plank, | 9 00 |
| Henry S. Lowe, land damage, | 100 00 |
| Charles S. Lowe, building road, | 140 00 |
| James C. P. Draper, building road, | 88 00 |

 \$372 00

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN EXPENSES.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Paid Insurance on town house, | \$ 20 00 |
| Albert M. Hopkins, journey to Nashua and counsel, | 2 80 |
| Expense of fire on the Plain, | 13 00 |
| Alfred N. Hardy, for public watering-place, | 3 00 |
| Alfred N. Hardy, services as Superintending School Committee, | 30 00 |
| Sidney H. Hardy, surveying routes for new road, | 12 00 |
| Albert H. Hopkins, for furnishing lumber and building lobby, | 96 00 |
| John R. Russell, journey to Nashua and counsel, | 3 00 |
| Sidney H. Hardy, for wood, | 7 00 |
| Frank Wilson, sawing wood, | 75 |
| Albert H. Hopkins, services as treasurer, | 15 00 |
| Merriam Burnham, public watering-place, | 3 00 |
| Albert H. Hopkins, select services, | 65 00 |
| Sidney H. Hardy, select services, | 60 00 |
| John R. Russell, select services, | 50 00 |
| Alfred N. Hardy, money for high school, | 135 00 |
| Horace Cudworth, clerkship, postage and stationery, | 18 00 |
| William Wilson, | 2 00 |
| James Sawyer, for services as overseer of poor, | 20 00 |
| Isaac Farrington, snowing bridge, | 2 00 |
| Rodney Patch, tolling bell and taking care of town house, | 5 00 |
| Charles H. Hopkins & Co., for oils, chimneys and cement, | 1 82 |

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Levi S. Holt, collecting taxes, 1873, | 49 00 |
| James H. Brooks, public watering-place, | 3 00 |
| James Sawyer, for support of poor, | 221 25 |
| Samuel H. Partridge, returning births and deaths, | 5 75 |
| Nahum Russell, for appraising real estate, | 30 00 |
| David Starrett, for appraising real estate, | 30 00 |
| John Fletcher, for appraising real estate, | 30 00 |
| Farnum & Scott, printing reports, | 18 00 |
| Daniel W. Burnham, for glass for town house, | 3 63 |
| Zebediah Peavey, for sheep killed by dogs, | 12 00 |
| Jacob Gould, " " " | 5 00 |
| For books and stationery, | 16 78 |
| Expense of tramps, | 15 84 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1009 62 |

RECAPITULATION.

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Whole amount received, | \$5593 15 |
|------------------------|-----------|

Whole amount paid out :

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| State tax, | \$ 800 00 | |
| County tax, | 453 20 | |
| School orders, | 748 64 | |
| Interest on notes, | 815 42 | |
| Breaking Roads, | 109 10 | |
| Repairing highways, | 789 72 | |
| Miscellaneous expenses, | 1005 62 | |
| Expense of new roads, | 372 00— | \$5097 70 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance in hands of the treasurer, | | \$495 45 |

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Due on tax list, 1864, | | \$ 4 38 |
| Due on tax list, 1867, | | 13 75 |
| Due on tax list, 1870, | | 28 94 |
| Due on tax list, 1870, dog tax, | | 2 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1871, | \$88 74 | |
| With the following abatements : | | |
| William P. Winn, | 2 72 | |
| Sarah Wallace, | 1 81 | |
| Solomon Draper, | 2 72 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$6 25— | 82 49 |
| Due on tax list, 1871, dog tax, | | 9 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1872, | | 61 83 |
| Due on tax list, 1872, dog tax, | | 7 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1873, | | 85 19 |
| Due on tax list, 1873, dog tax, | | 10 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1874, | \$746 25 | |
| Less discount, | 46 25— | 700 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1874, dog tax, | | 28 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Whole amount due on tax lists, | | \$1032 58 |

Amount of notes against the town, \$13,375 00

Demands in favor of the town:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Due on tax lists, | \$1032 58 | |
| Due from United States, | 558 00 | |
| Balance in hands of treasurer, | 495 45— | 2086 03 |
| Balance against the town, | | \$11,288 97 |

The foregoing report is respectfully submitted.

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| ALBERT H. HOPKINS, | } Selectmen of Greenfield. |
| SIDNEY H. HARDY, | |
| JOHN R. RUSSELL, | |

TREASURER'S REPORT.

| | Dr. | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|--|-----------|
| To whole amount received, | | | \$5503 15 |
| | Cr. | | |
| By paid selectmen's orders, | | | 5097 70 |
| Balance in hands of treasurer, | | | \$495 45 |

ALBERT H. HOPKINS, Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

| | | |
|--|--|----------|
| Paid for boarding and clothing Charles Swington to | | |
| Aug. 29, 1874, | | \$35 08 |
| Sarah Wallace, | | 2 91 |
| Expense John S. Draper's boy, | | 11 25 |
| Support of S. S. Draper, | | 137 71 |
| Clothing Fred Swington, 1874, | | 15 00 |
| " " " 1873, | | 1 20 |
| Expenses to Amherst and Manchester to collect County | | |
| Paupers' bill, | | 3 90 |
| S. H. Partridge, medical attendance to S. S. Draper, | | 11 70 |
| " " " Sarah Wallace, | | 2 50 |
| | | \$221 25 |
| Received of treasurer to balance account, | | \$221 25 |

JAMES SAWYER, Overseer of Poor.

Greenfield, Feb. 20, 1875.

Your committee have examined the foregoing reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and Overseer of the Poor, and find them correct.

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| CHARLES D. FITCH, | } Auditing Committee. |
| JOHN FLETCHER, | |

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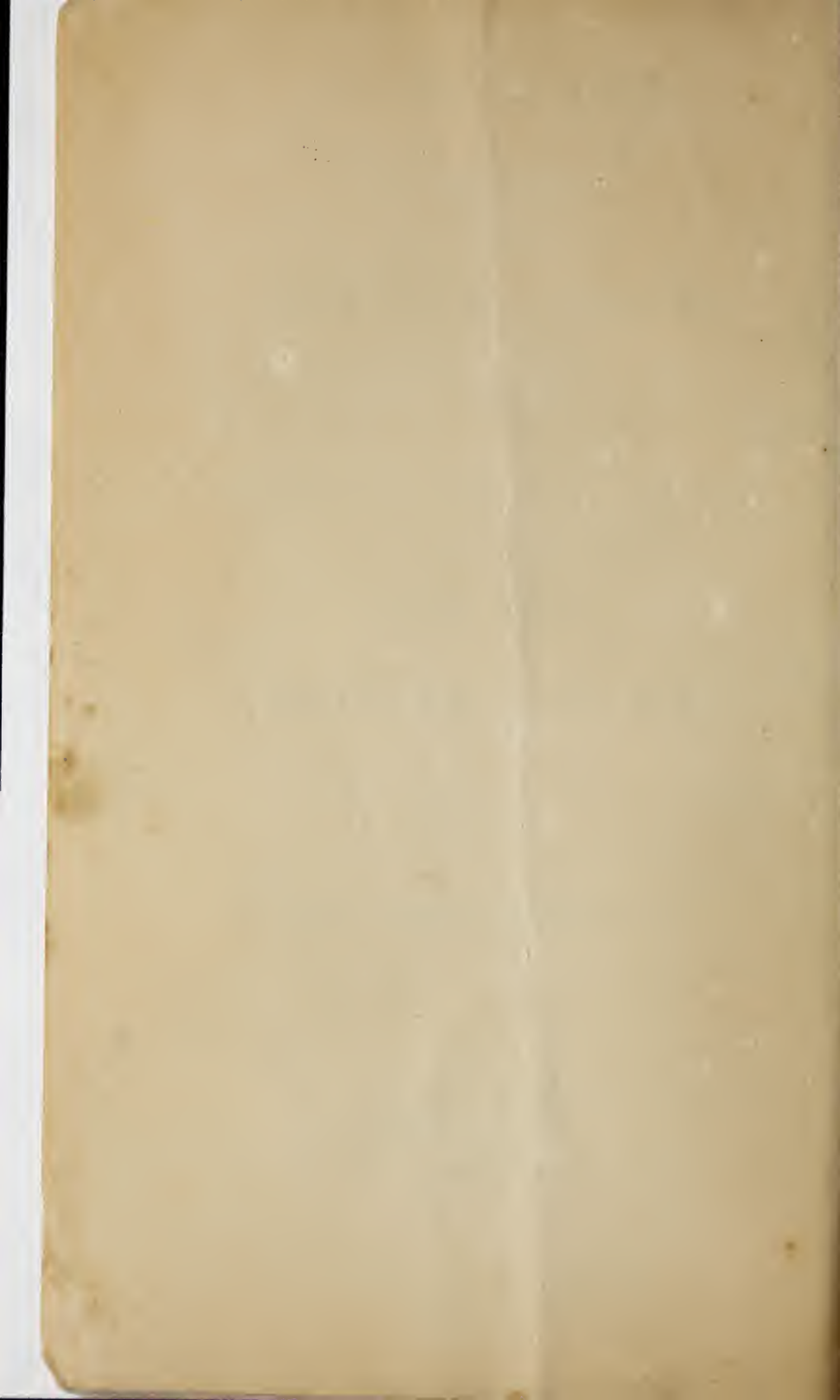
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YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1876.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Rendered March 6th, 1876.

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Assessed upon the polls and estates of residents, and upon the estates of non- residents of the Town of Greenfield, for the year 1875, | \$4658 62 |
| Amount of dog tax, | 43 00 |

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Received of the taxes assessed, | \$3958 62 |
| on dog tax, | 21 00 |
| interest on taxes collected since Dec. 1st, 1875, | 10 92 |
| on tax list, 1874, | 525 53 |
| Dog tax, “ | 7 00 |
| on tax list, 1873, | 27 89 |
| “ “ 1872, | 19 73 |
| of Treasurer, for 1874, | 495 45 |
| Mortgage book, returned to Concord, | 5 00 |
| for use of hay scales, 1875, | 15 00 |
| “ town house, | 8 00 |
| for stone sold G. P. Fletcher, | 8 00 |
| of C. B. Wallace, on highway tax list, | 1 31 |
| Savings bank tax, | 620 58 |
| Railroad “ | 57 62 |
| Literary fund, | 66 22 |
| Money borrowed to fund town debt, | 7915 00 |
| | <hr/> \$13,762 87 |

BREAKING ROADS.

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Paid Edwin J. Downing, | \$2 25 |
| Robert R. Wilson, | 3 70 |
| James Lewis, | 50 |
| James Shea, | 12 00 |
| John Grimes, | 9 62 |
| Leonard Bailey, | 1 20 |
| George W. Damoth, | 1 80 |
| George W. Wood, | 10 00 |
| Reuben A. Dutton, | 6 60 |
| Levi Dodge, | 5 70 |
| Nathaniel Morrison, | 19 35 |
| John L. Fish, | 2 00 |
| George P. Holt, | 4 80 |
| Charles E. Blanchard, | 6 22 |
| Amos M. Whittemore, | 4 50 |
| John H. Reynolds, | 1 05 |
| John O. Colbath, | 5 40 |
| Benjamin W. Hardy, | 3 00 |
| Moses Robinson, | 12 10 |
| John R. Russell, | 1 45 |
| Nahum Russell, | 11 85 |
| George W. French, | 15 18 |
| John Fletcher, | 6 00 |
| Charles M. Butler, | 4 85 |
| Mark Rogers, | 14 60 |
| Daniel W. Burnham, | 6 93 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, | 3 75 |
| Charles H. Hopkins, | 4 10 |
| John F. Savage, | 82 |
| Dearborn Lakin, | 6 00 |
| William Savage, | 12 00 |
| Henry S. Lowe. | 6 00 |
| William L. Savage, | 14 00 |
| Francis Gould, | 60 |
| James C. P. Draper, | 6 78 |
| Timothy L. Hovey, | 1 00 |
| Frank I. Lowe, cutting out road, | 8 00 |
| Daniel W. Flynn, | 1 00 |
| Robert Blanchard, | 6 00 |
| Levi S. Holt, | 9 50 |
| Gilman P. Fletcher, | 2 25 |
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 15 70 |
| Charles S. Lowe, | 5 00 |

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|---------------------|------|
| Paid Samuel Fisher, | 5 25 |
| Taylor D. Lakin, | 6 37 |

\$236 77

REPAIRING HIGHWAY.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Paid Robert R. Wilson, | \$1 30 |
| James Lewis, | 47 50 |
| John Grimes, | 9 83 |
| Leonard Bailey, | 1 97 |
| James Shea, | 2 00 |
| George W. Damoth, | 3 45 |
| James Cuddehee, 1874 bill, | 2 00 |
| Lorenzo C. Rogers, | 3 18 |
| George W. French, | 10 57 |
| William Savage, | 4 80 |
| Charles M. Butler. labor on bridge, | 5 00 |
| Daniel W. Burnham, | 2 50 |
| George L. Clement, | 2 00 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, | 3 75 |
| Zebadiah Peavey, repairing old road, | 6 00 |
| John F. Savage, | 1 33 |
| Henry S. Lowe, 1874 bill, | 4 00 |
| Horace Cudworth, | 7 00 |
| Charles M. Butler, 1874 bill, | 63 |
| Amos P. Swinington, | 2 85 |
| Frank I. Lowe, | 8 00 |
| John R. Russell, | 3 00 |
| Robert Blanchard, labor on bridge, | 12 00 |
| Lyman I. Straw, | 9 15 |
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 2 80 |
| Robert R. Wilson, 1874 bill, | 15 00 |
| Charles M. Butler, | 8 00 |
| Jotham S. Stephenson, | 8 50 |
| Horace Rogers, 1874 bill, | 6 75 |
| Charles B. Wallace, | 18 70 |
| Jeremiah Holt, | 15 20 |
| Zebadiah Peavey, 1874 bill, | 8 00 |
| “ “ “ build'g fence, | 20 00 |
| Horace B. Tuttle, | 12 07 |
| Henry S. Lowe, | 34 00 |
| Charles S. Lowe, | 15 00 |

\$317 83

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

| | |
|--|--------|
| Paid Samuel H. Partridge, returning births and deaths, | \$6 75 |
| Charles H. Hopkins, for cement, | 1 15 |
| Hopkins Bros., for bridge plank, | 14 00 |
| Frank Brooks, blacksmith bill, | 5 16 |
| John L. Fish, public watering place, | 3 00 |
| Alfred N. Hardy, " " | 3 00 |
| James H. Brooks, " " | 3 00 |
| Merriam Burnham, " " | 3 00 |
| Henry H. Duncklee, " " 1874 | 3 00 |
| " " " 1875 | 3 00 |
| Nahum Russell, expense of appraising real estate in 1874, | 2 00 |
| Mark Rogers, for sheep killed by dogs in 1874, | 7 00 |
| Dennis Rogers, " 1875 | 4 00 |
| Levi Dodge, " " | 4 00 |
| Zebadiah Peavey, | 3 00 |
| Charles H. Hopkins, post and nails, | 3 03 |
| " expense of tramps. | 2 03 |
| Henry H. Duncklee, keeping tramps '74 | 9 00 |
| " " '75 | 17 00 |
| Timothy L. Hovey, over tax, 1874, | 3 00 |
| Moses Lewis, sawing wood, | 75 |
| Rodney Patch, tolling bell and taking care town house, | 6 00 |
| Hopkins Bros., for lumber and repairing stage in town house, | 30 00 |
| Fred E. Cheney, lamps for town house, | 4 96 |
| William Savage, for plow, | 10 00 |
| Samuel H. Partridge, granite underp'ng | 6 30 |
| Farnum & Scott, printing reports '75, | 18 00 |
| William H. Butler, straps for sexton, | 3 25 |
| Daniel M. White, Ins. on town house, | 30 00 |
| Charles R. Morrison, counsel and two journeys to Manchester, | 13 60 |
| Earle Searles, cleaning town house, | 2 60 |
| Frank B. Patch, store goods, | 52 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, snowing bridge, | 2 50 |
| Sidney H. Hardy, for wood, | 3 50 |
| M. V. B. Greene, for stationery, | 7 84 |
| " " mortgage book, | 11 50 |
| I E. Anthoine, M. D., 1874 bill, | 12 00 |

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| Paid Isaac Giddings on notes, | 850 00 | |
| Janet Ramsay, " | 200 00 | |
| Albert P. Jones, " | 200 00 | |
| Bradley Jones, " | 100 00 | |
| James Sawyer, services as overseer of the poor, | 20 00 | |
| James Sawyer, expense of poor, | 110 24 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, select. services, | 80 00 | |
| " " borrowing money, to fund town debt, | 10 00 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, two journeys to Manchester, | 4 00 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, two journeys to Nashua, | 8 00 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, 14 days apprais- ing real estate, | 28 00 | |
| John R. Russell, select. services, | 65 00 | |
| " " appraising real estate, | 25 00 | |
| William L. Savage, select. services, | 60 00 | |
| " " for appraising real estate, | 25, 00 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, services as treas- urer, | 25 00 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, journey to Salem to pay Silas B. Winn, on notes, | 4 00 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, journey to Wilton to pay Isaac Giddings, on notes, | 2 00 | |
| Sidney H. Hardy, journey to Con- cord, to pay State tax, | 4 00 | |
| Expense of high school, | 75 00 | |
| Alfred N. Hardy, services as super- intending school committee. | 30 00 | |
| Horace Cudworth, clerkship, | 20 00 | |
| " " for collecting taxes for the year 1874, | 40 00 | |
| Bounty on hawks, | 1 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,021 58 |

POLICE BILL.

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| Paid William H. Marsh, | \$6 00 |
| Nahum Russell, | 3 00 |
| Willis D. Hardy, | 3 00 |
| James Lewis, | 3 00 |
| Charles E. Blanchard, | 3 00 |

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|--------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Paid William Duncklee, | 3 00 | |
| Earle Searls, | 3 00 | |
| George W. Hopkins, | 4 00 | |
| George D. Pollard, | 5 00 | |
| Edwin H. Shattuck, | 5 00 | |
| For police badges, | 4 75 | |
| Policemen appointed from Nashua, | 10 00 | |
| Perkins W. Hopkins, jr., for 1874, | 4 20 | |
| “ “ “ | | |
| journey to Manchester, | 5 80 | |
| Perkins W. Hopkins, jr., police ser- | | |
| vices and money paid for tramps, | 21 50 | |
| Frank I. Lowe, | 20 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$104 25 |

LOBBY BILL.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Paid James Lewis, | \$ 50 | |
| Frank Brooks, | 3 42 | |
| Nahum Russell, tor brick, | 2 80 | |
| Rodney Patch, | 67 | |
| Hopkins Bros., work and lumber, | 21 60 | |
| Smith “ | 72 | |
| Augustus Fuller, stove and fixtures, | 10 50 | |
| Samuel P. Newton. | 2 50 | |
| C. H. Hopkins, | 1 54 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$44 25 |

RECAPITULATION.

| | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Whole amount received, | \$13,762 87 | |
| Whole amount paid out: | | |
| State tax, | \$800 00 | |
| County tax and express bill, | 412 81 | |
| School orders, | 789 93 | |
| Interest on notes, | 886 22 | |
| Breaking roads, | 286 77 | |
| Repairing highways, | 317 83 | |
| Miscellaneous expenses, | 2,249 18 | |
| Police bill, | 104 25 | |
| Lobby “ | 44 25 | |
| On notes against the town of Greenfield, | | |
| of money borrowed to fund town debt, | 7500 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$13,391 24 |
| Balance in the hands of the treasurer, | | <hr/> |
| | | \$371 63 |

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

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|------------------------|-------|--------|
| Due on tax list, 1864, | | \$4 38 |
| " " 1867, | | 13 75 |
| " " 1870, | 28 94 | |

With the following abatements :

| | | |
|--------------------|-------|---------|
| Lewis Amlaw, | 2 42 | |
| Solomon Draper, | 2 83 | |
| Levi G. Putnam, | 2 42 | |
| Abraham Robbins, | 3 99 | |
| Herbert Raymond, | 2 42 | |
| Miles Robinson, | 8 05 | |
| Jeremiah Driscoll, | 3 04 | |
| Albert L. Murphy, | 32 | |
| William P. Winn, | 1 42 | |
| Sewel M. Buck, | 42 | |
| Sarah Wallace, | 1 61 | |
| | <hr/> | \$28 94 |

Dog tax abated 1870, \$2 00

Due on tax list, 1871, 82 49

With the following abatements :

| | | |
|--------------------|-------|---------|
| Thomas Butler, | 3 62 | |
| William H. Butler, | 2 72 | |
| Austin F. Clark, | 3 25 | |
| Priest Davis, | 2 72 | |
| Jeremiah Driscoll, | 16 18 | |
| Martha Draper, | 14 48 | |
| Miles Robinson, | 10 68 | |
| Dearborn Rockwell, | 2 72 | |
| John Sawyer, | 2 72 | |
| | <hr/> | \$59 09 |
| | | \$23 40 |

Due on dog tax, 9 00

" abated " 1 00

\$8 00

Due on tax list, 1872, \$42 10

With the following abatements :

| | | |
|--------------------|-------|--|
| Joseph Beckwith, | 1 56 | |
| Thomas Cuddehece, | 1 56 | |
| Solomon S. Draper, | 3 53 | |
| Martha Draper, | 10 92 | |
| Nahum Raymond, | 3 12 | |
| Frank G. Smith, | 3 90 | |
| John Sawyer, | 1 56 | |

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Lewis Smith, | 1 56 | |
| George E. Sanford, | 1 56 | |
| Heirs of Jotham Parker, | 2 34 | |
| Patrick Munhall, | 4 68 | |
| John S. Draper, | 1 56 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$37 85 | 4 25 |
| Due on dog tax, 1872, | | 7 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1873, | 57 30 | |
| With the following abatements: | | |
| Joseph Beckwith, | 1 70 | |
| John S. Draper, | 1 70 | |
| Priest Davis, | 1 70 | |
| Nathaniel Morrison, overtax, | 8 50 | |
| Stephen Richardson, | 1 70 | |
| Patrick Munhall, | 4 25 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$21 25 | \$36 05 |
| Due on dog tax, 1873, | | \$10 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1874, | 174 47 | |
| With the following abatements: | | |
| Thomas Cuddehee, | 1 50 | |
| William Cuddehee, | 1 50 | |
| Martha Draper, | 1 50 | |
| Priest Davis, | 1 50 | |
| Daniel J. George, | 1 50 | |
| James Mitchell, | 1 80 | |
| Granville Parkhurst, | 1 50 | |
| Nathaniel Spofford, | 1 50 | |
| William P. Winn, | 1 50 | |
| Sarah Wallace, | 75 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$14 25 | \$160 22 |
| Due on dog tax, 1874, | | \$21 00 |
| Due on tax list, 1875, | 700 00 | |
| Less discount, | 59 41 | \$640 59 |
| Due on tax list, 1875, dog tax, | | \$22 00 |
| Whole amount due on tax lists, | | \$950 64 |
| Due from State, bounty on hawks, | | 1 50 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$952 14 |
| Amount of notes against the town, | | \$12,440 00 |

Demands in favor of the town :

| | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Due on tax list. | \$952 14 | |
| Due from the United States, | 558 00 | |
| Balance in hands of treasurer, | 371 63 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1881 77 |

Balance against the town, \$10,558 23

The foregoing is respectfully submitted.

SIDNEY H. HARDY, } *Selectmen*
 JOHN R. RUSSELL, } *of*
 WILLIAM L. SAVAGE, } *Greenfield.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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|--------------------------------|-----|-------------|
| To whole amount received, | Dr. | \$13,762 87 |
| By paid Selectmen's orders, | Cr. | \$13,391 24 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance in hands of treasurer, | | \$371 63 |

SIDNEY H. HARDY, *Town Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

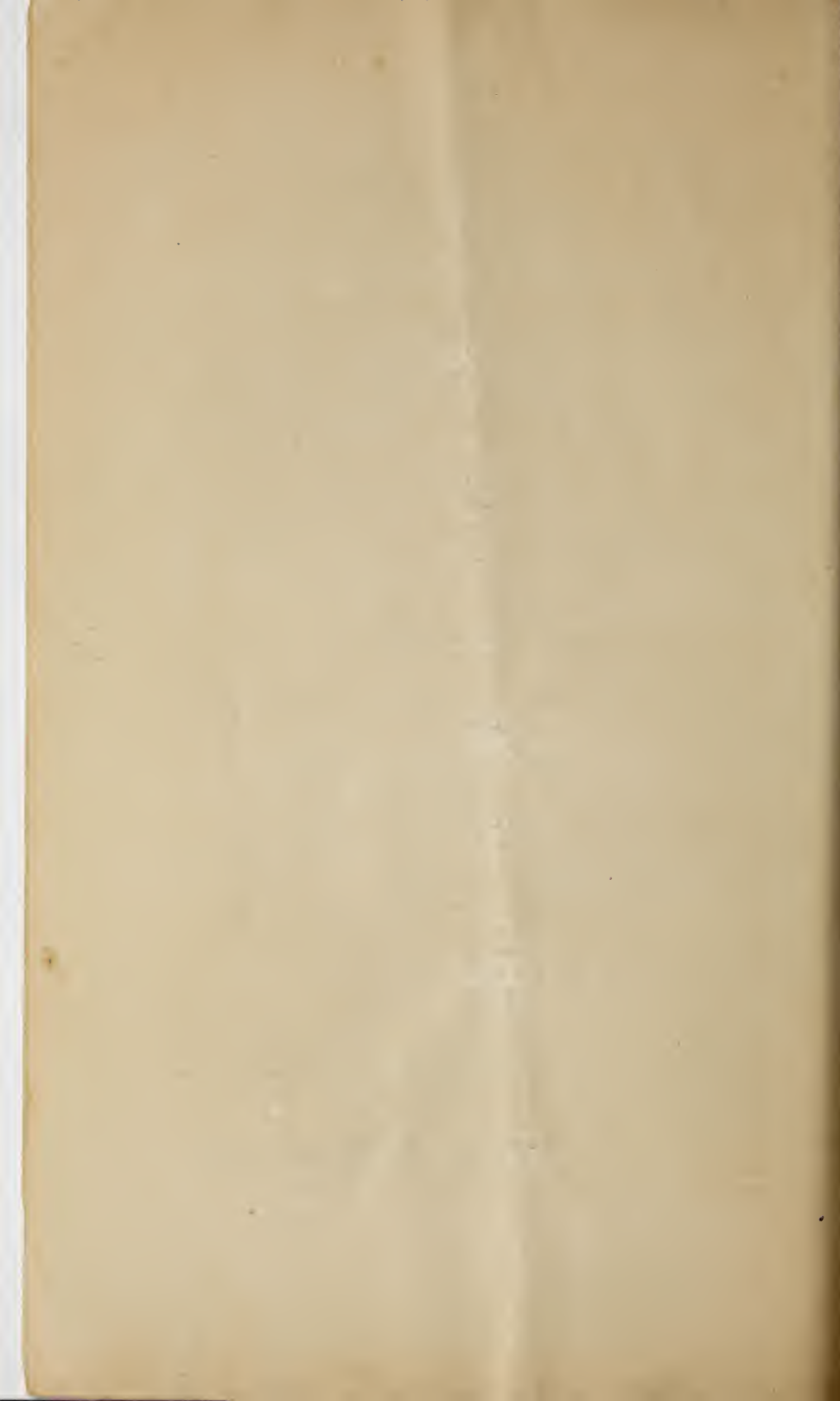
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| Paid for support of S. S. Draper, | \$72 50 | |
| " " Sarah C. Wallace, | 5 60 | |
| " " John S. Draper's boy, | 26 27 | |
| " " Mrs. Swinnington, | 3 87 | |
| " burying Abigail Little, | 2 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$110 24 |
| Received of treasurer to balance account, | | \$110 24 |

JAMES SAWYER, *Overseer of Poor.*

Greenfield, Feb. 28th, 1876.

Your committee have examined the foregoing reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and Overseer of the Poor, and find them correct.

JOHN FLETCHER, } *Auditing*
 CHARLES D. FITCH, } *Committee.*



SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Summer Term, 8 weeks. Taught by Miss Abbie N. Partridge, of Greenfield. This school appeared very well at the commencement and at the close, with the exception of a few boys. Improvement was made. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading 17, Spelling 17, Penmanship 12, Arithmetic 12, Geography, 6, Grammar 2.

Winter Term, 11 weeks.

Taught by Sara A. Keyes. Your committee was not able to be in at the examination, therefore cannot report in regard to the improvement of the school. From what we have heard, we think improvement was made and the school a success. Branches taught; Reading, 22, Spelling, 22, Arithmetic, 19, Geography, 8, Grammar, 4.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Summer Term, 6 weeks. Taught by M. Jennie Wood, of Greenfield. For the first time, Miss Wood enters the schoolroom as teacher. She carried much enthusiasm into her work, and we think was quite successful in awakening an interest in the school. The examination was such as to be of credit to scholars and teacher. All the scholars are reported as going through the term without whispering. An honor to any school. Branches taught, and the number attending to each: Reading 9, Spelling 9, Penmanship 6, Arithmetic 7, Geography 4, Vocal music 9.

Winter Term, 7 weeks. Taught by Etta M. Young of Temple. A teacher well qualified to instruct and guide youthful minds. We were highly pleased with the appearance of the school at the commencement and learn that Miss Young gave good satisfaction. The notice sent of the examination failed to reach us, and consequently we did not visit this school at its close. Branches taught and the number attending to each:—Reading, 15; Spelling, 15; Arithmetic, 14; Penmanship, 6; Geography, 13; Grammar, 2; Composition, 1.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Summer Term, 10 weeks. Taught by Lizzie M. Partridge, of Greenfield.

This is a difficult school to keep. Miss Partridge, we think, did her best to make this school a success. At the commencement the school was very quiet and orderly. Your committee never saw it more so. During the short time your committee was in at the examination, we found but little with which to find fault. Some of the small boys were a little noisy with their lips. All things considered, we think Miss Partridge did well. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 35; Spelling, 35; Penmanship, 1; Arithmetic, 30; Geography, 8; Grammar, 4; History, 1; Book Keeping, 4.

Fall Term, 8 weeks. Taught by the same teacher.

Through some misunderstanding your committee was not in at the examination. Some of the parents say their children never learned better. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 19; Spelling, 19; Penmanship, 11; Arithmetic, 15; Geography, 3.

Winter Term, 10 weeks. Taught by A. A. Robertson, Halifax, N. S.

A young man of good ability; pleasant and agreeable in his ways. He commenced his work with a desire to make the school pleasant and profitable to his pupils, and did his part well. We are sorry to say that some of the scholars did not appreciate his labors and failed to treat their teacher with due respect. The exercises at the examination did credit to pupils and teacher.—Improvement was made, but not so great as might have been made if the scholars had put forth more effort. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 38; Spelling, 36; Penmanship, 25; Arithmetic, 26; Geography, 17; Grammar, 19; Composition, 18; History, 3; Book-Keeping, 5.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Union district with Bennington. Prudential Committee in Bennington. We received no notice as to the commencement or close of the school.

DISTRICT NOS. 5 & 8.

Summer Term, 6 weeks. Taught by Maria A. Dodge, of Bennington. This district was very fortunate in the selection of teachers for summer and winter. Miss Dodge accomplished as much in six weeks as many teachers would in twelve. She possesses those requisite qualities which render her highly useful in the school-room. With more experience we think she will take a high rank among our teachers. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 22; Spelling, 22; Penmanship, 11; Arithmetic, 12; Geography, 9; Grammar, 2.

Winter Term, 9 weeks. Taught by Nellie A. Hadley, of Hancock. A faithful teacher. Ready and easy to communicate her ideas, and willing to assist her pupils in the studies they were pursuing. We can recommend her as a good teacher. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 24; Spelling, 24; Penmanship, 15; Arithmetic, 13; Geography, 12; Grammar, 3; Map Drawing, 1; Philosophy, 1; Algebra, 1.

DISTRICT NO. 6.—NO SCHOOL.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Fall Term, 6 weeks. Taught by Miss J. C. Savage.

Your committee was well pleased with this school. It made very good improvement. With more scholars a teacher could get up a greater interest, but considering the length of school and the number of scholars, we think the interest and improvement good. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 8; Spelling, 8; Penmanship, 7; Arithmetic, 7; Geography, 4; Grammar, 4.

Winter Term, taught by Newell J. Sawyer, of Greenfield.

Mr. Sawyer commenced his work as a teacher in his own district, and with good success. The school was quiet and orderly, and everything showed that the pupils respected their teacher.—We think the term must have been a pleasant one to teacher and scholars, and will long be remembered by them all. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 11; Spelling, 11; Penmanship, 11; Arithmetic, 11; Geography, 5; Grammar, 5; Vocal music, 4.

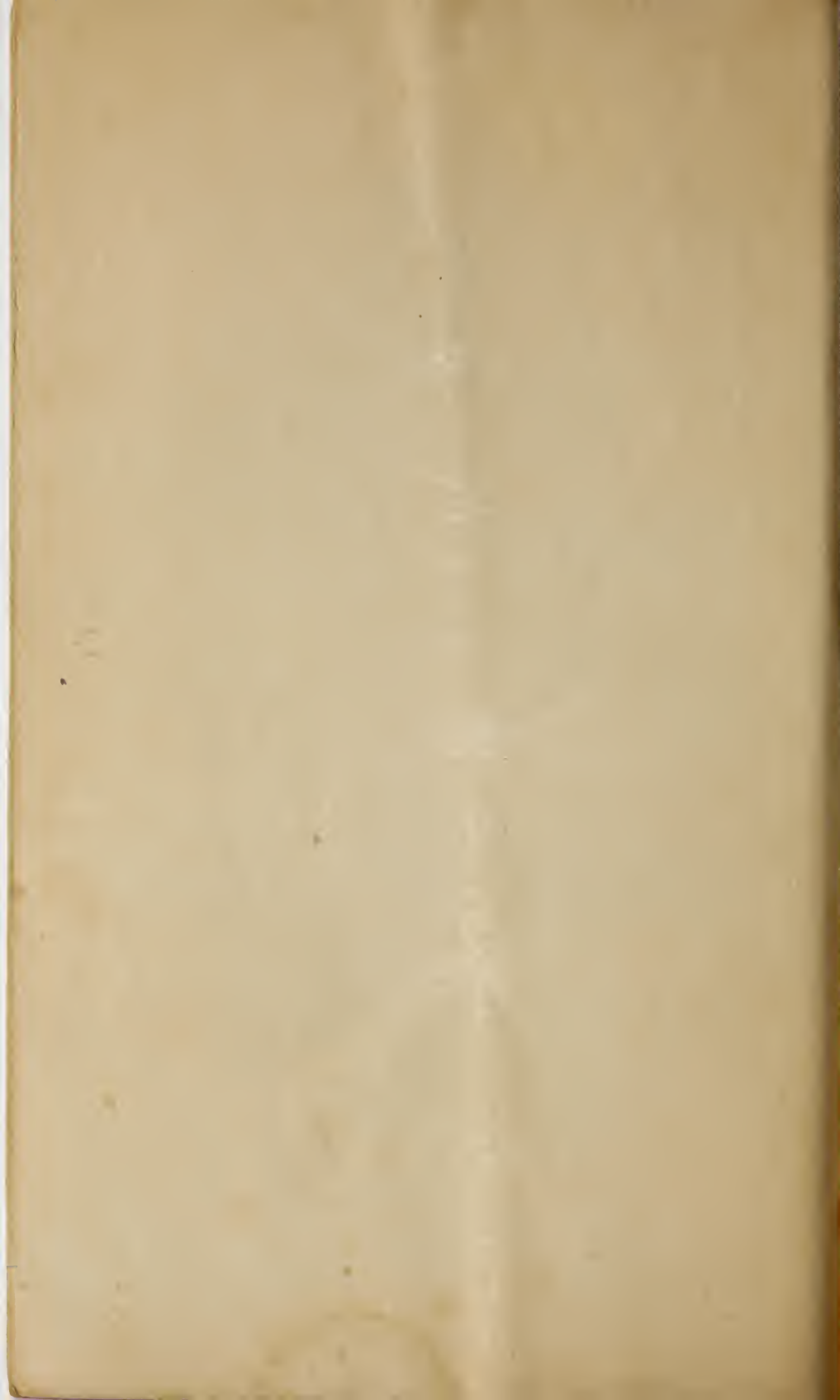
DISTRICT NO. 9.—NO SCHOOL.

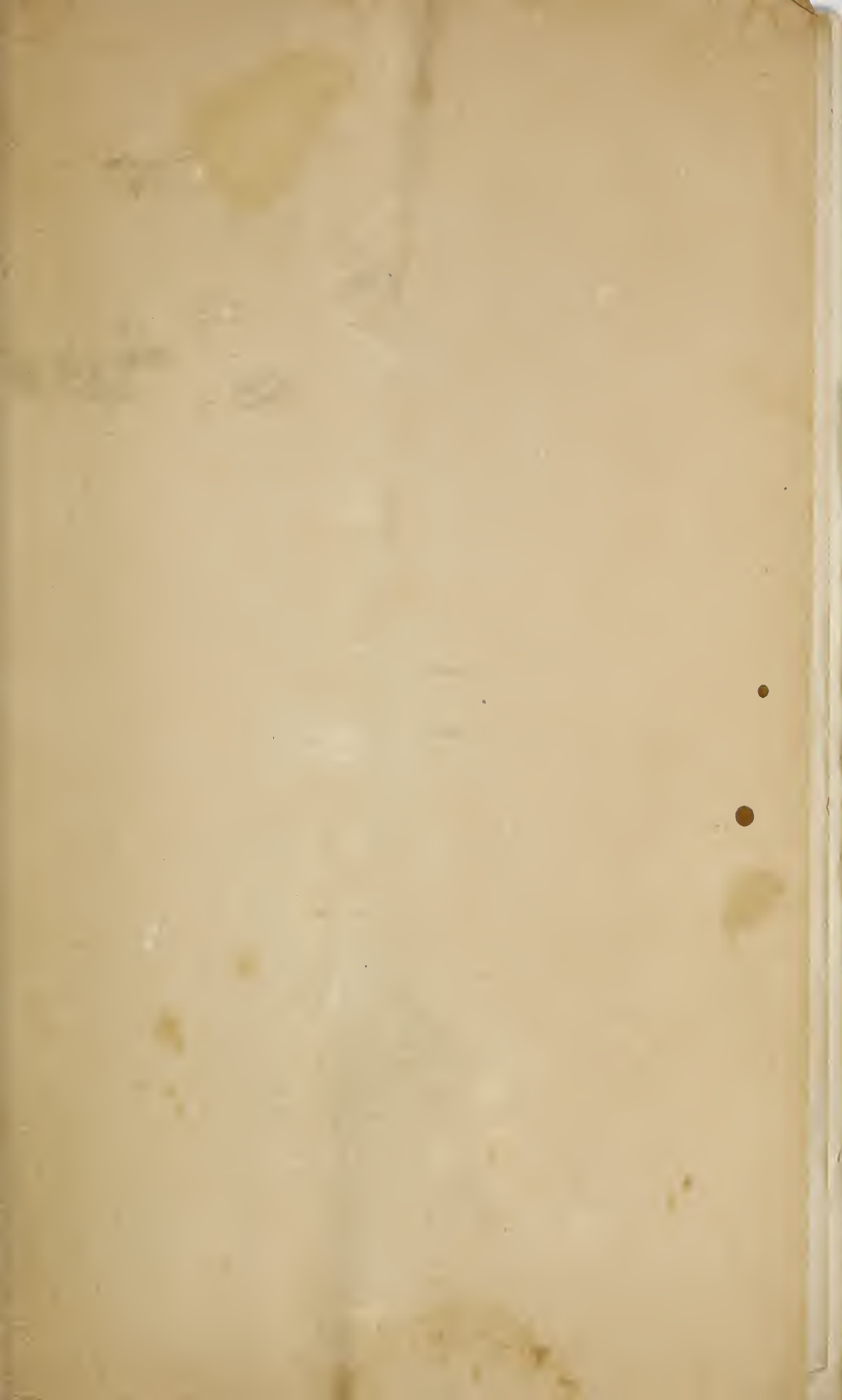
DISTRICT NO. 10.

Summer Term, *8 weeks. Taught by Ella C. Ware, of Hancock. This is the second time Miss Ware has taught this school. She has a great desire to see her scholars moving on in the pursuit of knowledge. Knowing its value, she makes every effort to help her pupils to obtain an education so desirable in discharging the various duties of life. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 18; Spelling, 18; Penmanship, 8; Arithmetic, 14; Geography, 2; Composition, 1; Philosophy, 2; Algebra, 1.

Winter Term, 10 weeks. Taught by your committee, A. N. Hardy. We will leave this school for others to report. Branches taught and the number attending to each: Reading, 20; Spelling, 20; Penmanship, 8; Arithmetic, 18; Geography, 3; Grammar, 6; Algebra, 2.

*2 weeks by subscription.





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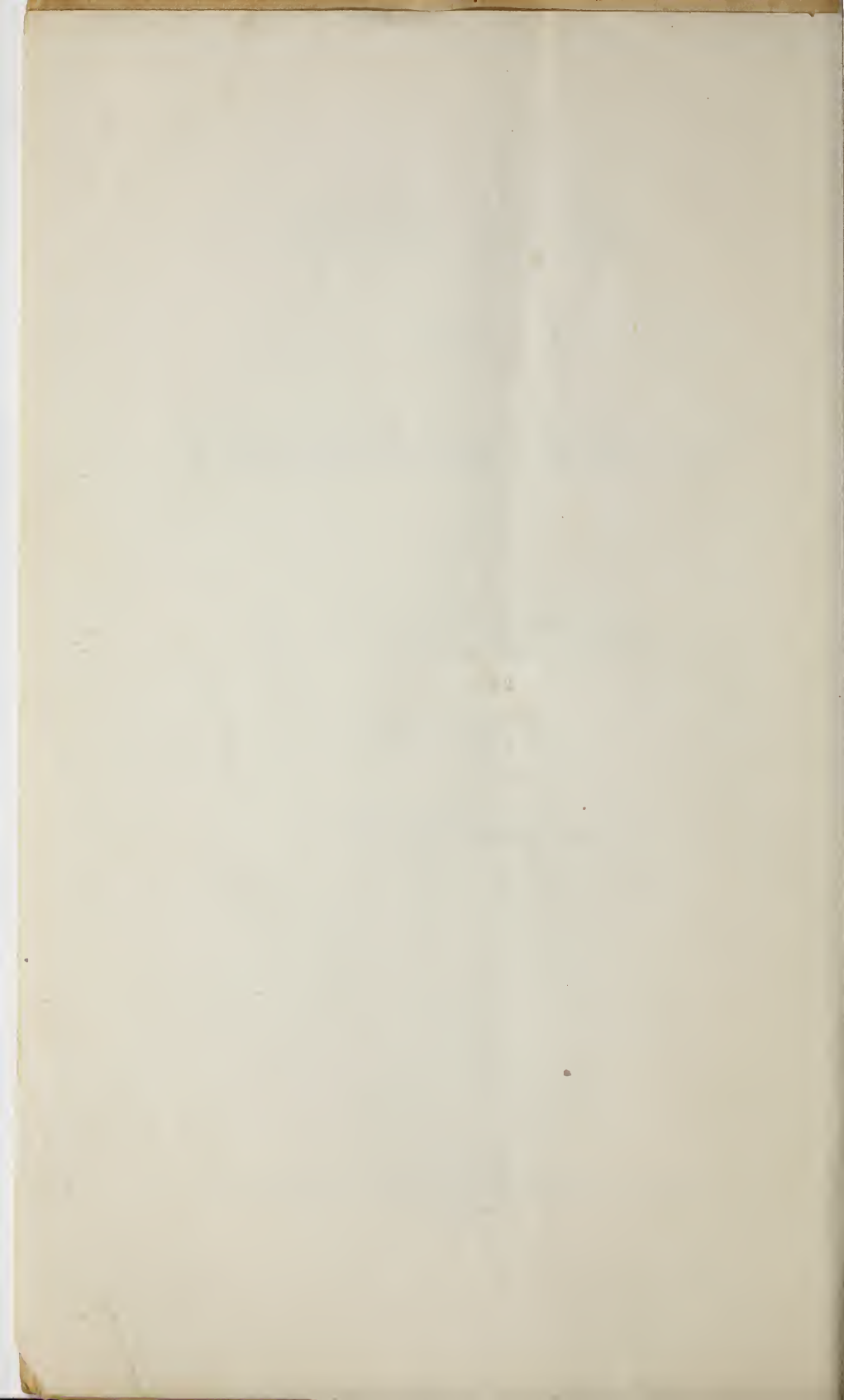
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FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1877.

PETERBORO':

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SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Prudential Committee, E. J. Downing.

Summer Term, taught by Miss M. Jennie Woods. This is a wide awake school, and appeared very well at commencement and close. The house was tastefully trimmed. We think it a pleasant term to the teacher, and profitable to the pupils.

Winter Term, taught by Mr. David A. Stiles, of Francestown. This district was fortunate in securing the services of so competent a teacher. The improvement in reading and thorough drill in arithmetic were quite noticeable, and the school accomplished as much in five weeks as some others did in a much longer term.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Prudential Committee, Joseph Blanchard.

Summer Term, taught by M. Jennie Wood. Miss Wood having taught this school to the general satisfaction of the district, her services were secured a second time, though with not as good results as in the previous term; but the improvement of those who continued till the end was very good.

Winter term, taught by Mr. Wm. N. Cragin, of Peterboro'. This was Mr. Cragin's first experience as a teacher. He commenced his work with the ardor of youth and a determination to do his whole duty; and the school, though backward, made commendable improvement under his care. With more experience we think he will take a high rank among our teachers.

Branches taught: Reading, 15; Spelling, 15; Penmanship, 15; Arithmetic, 14; Geography, 7; Book-keeping, 1.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Prudential Committee, D. W. Burnham.

Summer term, taught by Miss Jennie G. Stebbins, of Manchester, and a graduate of the Manchester training school. The advantages Miss Stebbins had enjoyed were apparent to all who visited her school. A good disciplinarian, firm yet mild in her government, the pupils were deeply interested and made rapid improvement.

Fall term taught by the same teacher. The teacher and pupils fully sustained the good reputation they had acquired the previous term.

Branches taught first term, and the number attending to each: Reading, 43; Spelling, 43; Penmanship, 23; Arithmetic, 35; Geography, 15; Grammar, 16; Composition, 16.

Second term: Reading, 31; Spelling, 31; Penmanship, 20; Arithmetic, 20; Geography, 8; Grammar, 8; Drawing, 31; Vocal Music, 31.

Winter term taught by Mr. E. K. Morrison, of South Acworth. The school, in the judgment of your committee, was not a great success. The discipline

was lax, and wanted that sharpness of character which pronounces the teacher master of the situation. A *comfortable* degree of order is not a satisfactory condition of a school in these days of progress. No teacher need hope for any great degree of success unless he has power to control the order of the school room. In order to have satisfactory results, scholars must have thorough drill, which will touch their knowledge. Help by the teacher begets indolent habits and makes dependent scholars. This propping up serves to encourage weakness, and should always be avoided.

Branches taught: Reading, 33; Spelling, 33; Penmanship, 12; Arithmetic, 33; Geography, 9; Grammar, 10; Book-keeping, 10; History, 7; Algebra, 1.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Prudential Committee, N. Russell.

No Summer school. Winter term taught by James S. Rogers. This school is of pupils mostly from this town, there being but one or two from Bennington. The school was twice visited by your committee, who found it quiet and studious, and we think the school was doing as well as could be expected with its surroundings. The school house, having more than fulfilled its mission, has been abandoned, and the room now occupied is small, and benches inconvenient, making it unpleasant for teacher and pupils. This school is now in session, and I cannot make a full report for the want of the register.

DISTRICTS NOS. 5. & 8.

Prudential Committee, J. T. Robertson.

Summer term taught by Miss Bell K. Robertson.

This district furnishes its own teachers, and thus keep the money in the district and town. Few districts do as well as this in keeping up their interest and numbers. The teacher had the interest of the school at heart, and gained the affections of her pupils, and interested them in their studies. Branches taught: Reading, 20; Spelling, 20; Arithmetic, 11; Geography, 11; Grammar, 7.

Winter term taught by Miss Mary E. Robertson, a teacher of about one year's experience. In a quiet way she secures good order, the respect of her pupils, and does not fail to interest and improve them. I consider this an interesting field of labor for a teacher who is willing to work. Parents and pupils are willing to work for what they have, and want what they work for, and we wish them success.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Prudential Committee, J. Sawyer.

Summer term taught by Miss Julia A. Manning, a teacher who had a mind to work, but who "could not make brick without straw." There being but three or four pupils most of the time, and those from one family, the school was placed to disadvantage, for the want of emulation. The progress was as good as could be expected under the circumstances.

Branches taught: Reading, 4; Spelling, 4; Penmanship, 4; Arithmetic, 4; Geography, 2; Grammar, 1; Composition, 1; History, 1.

Winter term taught by Newel J. Sawyer. Mr. Sawyer appeared to have the confidence and good will of the pupils, which he turned to good account. The closing examination gave proof of decided progress.

Branches taught: Reading, 14; Spelling, 14; Pen-

manship, 8 ; Arithmetic, 13 ; Geography, 3 ; Grammar, 6.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Prudential Committee, S. G. Hartshorn.

Summer term taught by Miss Emma G. Smith, of Peterboro', an experienced teacher, whose mild and firm discipline won the respect of all. Few teachers take pains to find work, and interest their pupils as Miss Smith does. No duty was left undone through weariness or haste. Believing in the efficacy of work, she did not leave the results to chance. Whatever was right, and for the good of the school, she caused to be done. The result was a good school.

Branches taught : Reading, 20 ; Spelling, 20 ; Penmanship, 11 ; Arithmetic, 15 ; Geography, 6 ; Grammar, 5 ; Composition, 3 ; Drawing, 1.

Winter term, taught by Miss E. Loena Fairbanks, of Peterboro'. This was a No. 1 school, under the care of a No. 1 teacher. The order of the school was good, and the deportment of the scholars commendable, indicating proper respect for the teacher, and correct ideas of the relation which should exist between teacher and pupils. The school was a success.

Branches taught : Reading, 14 ; Spelling, 14 ; Arithmetic, 12 ; Penmanship, 6 ; Geography, 2 ; Grammar, 6 ; History, 2.

Fall term of High School, (so called). This was more properly a Town School, giving to all the districts in town the privilege of attending, the money being raised and appropriated by the town. This school commenced well under the care of E. K. Morison, of South Acworth, a graduate of Bridgewater Academy. A teacher like some of our former ones,

well qualified in mind and heart to benefit his pupils. His kind and suasive manner soon won the confidence of his pupils, and we had much reason to hope for a successful term. We think the term not a failure, and are happy to say that the pupils from other districts, who had availed themselves of this school, appeared much better than those of the same age who had failed to do so.

Branches taught: Reading, 36; Spelling, 36; Arithmetic, 36; Geography, 6; Grammar, 20; Algebra, 2; History, 5; Book-keeping, 11.

One word to the parents of this district. It is generally thought by the "out districts," that those in the centre have too much money without a special appropriation, but in my opinion this is not the trouble, though you have about one-half of all the money used in town for school purposes. Bennington village has more than twice your amount, and has none too much. It is but little use to cram a dyspeptic stomach with savory meats. Unless there is a *want*, there is no need of a supply. Now, parents, until you create in the minds of your children a healthy desire for better culture, I think the town will be slow to make appropriations to sustain a High School. But could you and your children appreciate its advantages, it would be money well spent.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN FLETCHER, S. S. Committee.

Greenfield, March 13, 1877.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1877.

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| Assessed upon the Polls and Estates of Residents, and upon the Estates of Non-Residents in the town of Greenfield, for the year 1876, | \$5265 67 |
| Amount of dog tax, | 55 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5320 67 |

MONEY RECEIVED.

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Received on the taxes assessed, | \$4172 66 |
| On dog tax, | 21 00 |
| Interest on taxes collected since Dec. 1, | 15 84 |
| On tax list of 1874, | 81 21 |
| On dog tax of 1874, | 10 00 |
| On tax list of 1873, | 16 50 |
| On tax list of 1875, | 343 12 |
| On dog tax of 1875, | 11 00 |
| Interest on taxes for 1875, | 15 13 |
| Of L. Bailey, on highway taxes, | 79 |
| For use of hay scales, | 15 00 |
| For use of town house, | 6 50 |
| Savings bank tax, | 607 20 |
| Railroad tax, | 54 00 |
| Literary fund, | 67 00 |
| Money borrowed, | 2165 00 |
| Of G. D. Pollard, for fines, | 20 00 |
| Of last year's treasurer, | 371 63 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$7993 58 |

BREAKING ROADS.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Paid Daniel W. Flynn, | \$53 38 |
| James Sawyer, | 10 80 |
| P. W. Hopkins, | 1 35 |
| Frank E. Lee, | 2 50 |
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 15 17 |
| Horace Cudworth, | 36 12 |
| Hopkins Brothers, | 4 60 |
| Mark Rogers, | 75 89 |
| Benjamin W. Hardy, | 7 00 |
| John L. Fish, | 104 22 |
| William Duncklee, | 68 47 |
| Leonard Bailey, | 23 90 |
| John F. Savage, | 8 22 |

BREAKING ROADS (continued).

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Henry S. Lowe, | \$103 50 |
| Sidney H. Hardy, | 36 72 |
| William Savage, | 17 40 |
| James Bezley, | 56 28 |
| James Lewis, | 41 32 |
| Reuben A. Dutton, | 37 33 |
| James Cassion, | 56 69 |
| Horace B. Tuttle, | 21 00 |
| Amos M. Whittemore, | 47 80 |
| James E. Stearns, | 25 50 |
| John Grimes, | 6 75 |
| Jeremiah Holt, | 40 87 |
| John Cain, | 58 65 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, | 10 65 |
| D. W. Burnham, | 13 15 |
| N. Morrison, | 8 40 |
| Samuel Dascomb, | 1 35 |
| Luke E. Burt, | 1 87 |
| James Perdue, | 62 |
| Lyman J. Straw, | 10 05 |
| Ransom B. Starrett, | 6 36 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1013 82 |

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Paid James Sawyer, | \$ 10 50 |
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 8 45 |
| George L. Clement, | 2 32 |
| Horace Cudworth, | 12 00 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, | 1 82 |
| John L. Fish, | 5 40 |
| Leonard Bailey, | 71 86 |
| Henry S. Lowe, | 63 55 |
| William Savage, | 16 05 |
| John Wallace, | 1 94 |
| James Lewis, | 22 25 |
| Amos M. Whittemore, | 7 92 |
| John Cain, | 19 50 |
| Samuel Dascomb, | 3 25 |
| James Stearns, | 13 50 |
| John Grimes, | 29 25 |
| Jeremiah Holt, | 13 50 |
| Horace B. Tuttle, | 44 11 |
| Francis Hosmer, | 12 75 |
| Joseph LaClair, | 5 25 |
| Two Frenchmen, | 12 50 |
| Albert A. Smith, | 8 75 |
| Frank Lee, | 2 25 |
| John Cain, for repairing roads, | 3 00 |
| Ransom B. Starrett, | 1 80 |
| William H. Marsh, | 4 50 |
| Charles S. Lowe, | 16 00 |
| C. B. Wallace, | 2 25 |
| George Powers, | 75 |
| Chas. H. Hopkins, | 6 55 |
| Luke E. Burt, | 6 00 |
| Chas. H. Hopkins, bridge plank, | 25 24 |
| G. W. French, | 14 80 |
| Frank J. Lowe, | 14 37 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$483 93 |

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Paid Samuel H. Partridge, for recording births and deaths, | \$ 5 50 |
| James Sawyer, labor on town house, | 2 00 |
| William L. Savage, for sheep killed by dogs, | 4 00 |
| Lucius Wilson, " " " | 5 00 |
| Burnham Cavender, " " " | 4 00 |
| Nahum Russell, " " " | 3 00 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, snowing bridge, | 2 92 |
| George H. Putnam, public watering place, | 3 00 |
| John L. Fish, " " " | 3 00 |
| James H. Brooks, " " " | 3 00 |
| Alfred N. Hardy, " " " | 3 00 |
| Henry H. Duncklee, " " " | 3 00 |
| G. D. Pollard, labor on town house, | 8 35 |
| G. D. Pollard, moving lobby, | 10 00 |
| Rodney Patch, taking care of town house, | 8 00 |
| R. Bradford & Co., store goods, | 1 31 |
| E. C. Richardson, store goods, | 28 71 |
| Earl Searles, work on hay scales, | 1 00 |
| James Sawyer, services as overseer of the poor, | 22 00 |
| James Sawyer, expense of poor, | 98 64 |
| Horace Cudworth, for collecting taxes in 1875, | 55 00 |
| Horace Cudworth, services as town clerk, | 20 00 |
| H. A. Abbott, repairing town house, | 75 |
| John Fletcher, for services as superintending school committee, | 25 00 |
| M. V. B. Greene, for stationery, | 6 71 |
| B. B. Whittemore, for printing reports for 1876, | 25 00 |
| D. White, insurance on town house, | 30 00 |
| D. W. King, for copies of deeds, * | 2 00 |
| D. Pollard, Levi Holt and James Sawyer, for work on town house, | 500 00 |
| Paid for police badges, &c., | 16 75 |
| Bounty on hawks, | 4 00 |
| Cost on Quimby case, | 40 00 |
| G. Y. Sawyer & Son, cost in law suit, | 132 00 |
| Chas. D. Fitch, for High school, | 100 00 |
| Paid for guide-boards, | 2 00 |
| J. D. Butler, damage on wagon, | 6 00 |
| C. H. Hopkins, for lumber for fence, | 13 40 |
| C. H. Hopkins, expense to Boston, | 3 00 |
| Henry H. Duncklee, expense to Manchester, | 5 00 |
| F. C. Fletcher, " " " | 5 00 |
| Paid for glass for town house, | 2 00 |
| Henry H. Duncklee, expense to Nashua, | 2 00 |
| Telegraphing, | 1 00 |
| F. C. Fletcher, three journeys to Nashua, | 7 50 |
| " " two journeys to Wilton, | 2 00 |
| " " one journey to Concord, | 5 00 |
| Henry H. Duncklee, services as selectmen, | 60 00 |
| Franklin C. Fletcher, " " " | 55 00 |
| Chas. H. Hopkins, " " " | 50 00 |
| Franklin C. Fletcher, services as treasurer, | 20 00 |
| Joseph Manahan, on Quimby case, | 400 00 |
| Franklin C. Fletcher, expense to New Boston, | 1 00 |
| John Burnham's note, | 900 00 |
| H. H. Duncklee, keeping tramps, | 68 00 |
| Railroad men, | 888 23 |
| F. J. Lowe, for straw for beds for lobby, | 1 50 |
| | <hr/> \$3674 27 |

POLICE BILL.

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid G. D. Pollard, for police services, | \$20 00 | |
| Frank B. Simonds, " " | 7 50 | |
| Frank J. Lowe, " " | 20 00 | |
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| | | \$47 50 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|--|-----------|-----------|
| Whole amount received, | | \$7993 58 |
| Whole amount paid out:— | | |
| State Tax, | \$ 800 00 | |
| County Tax, | 453 40 | |
| School Orders, | 751 54 | |
| Interest on Notes, | 645 42 | |
| Breaking Roads, | 1013 82 | |
| Repairing Highways, | 483 90 | |
| Miscellaneous Expenses, | 3674 27 | |
| Police Expenses, | 47 50 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$7869 85 |
| Balance in the hands of the treasurer, | | <hr/> |
| | | \$123 73 |

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

| | | |
|---|----------|---------------|
| Due on tax list of 1864, | | \$ 4 38 |
| " " " " " 1867, | | 13 75 |
| " " " " " 1870, | | 2 00 |
| " " " " " 1871, | | 23 40 |
| " " dog tax, 1871, | | 9 00 |
| " " tax list, 1872, | | 4 25 |
| " " dog tax, 1872, | | 7 00 |
| " " tax list, 1873, | | 21 25 |
| " " dog tax, 1873, | | 10 00 |
| " " tax list, 1874, | | 79 00 |
| " " dog tax, 1874, | | 11 00 |
| " " tax list, 1875, | \$263 97 | |
| With the following abatements: | | |
| Thomas Evans, | \$1 56 | |
| John S. Draper, | 1 56 | |
| Luke Felch, | 1 56 | |
| John L. Hill, | 1 56 | |
| George E. Messer, | 1 56 | |
| Luther B. Smith, | 1 56 | |
| Sanford Wilson, | 1 56 | |
| Stephen A. Stowe, | 1 56 | |
| Nat Rideout, | 1 56 | |
| Robert Dickerson, | 1 56 | |
| James Allen, | 1 56 | |
| Albert Murphy, | 1 56— | 20 28— 243 69 |
| Due on tax list of 1876, | 1093 00 | |
| Less discount on taxes paid before Sept. 1st, | 82 50— | 1010 50 |
| Due on dog tax for 1876, | | 34 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$1473 22 |
| Amount of notes against the town, | | \$13705 00 |

Demands in favor of the town :

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|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Due on tax lists, | \$1473 22 | |
| From the County, | 888 23 | |
| From the State, bounty on hawks, | 5 50 | |
| From the United States, | 558 00 | |
| Amount in Treasurer's hands, | 123 53 | |
| | | <u>3048 48</u> |
| Balance against the town, | | \$10656 52 |

The foregoing is respectfully submitted.

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| HENRY H. DUNCKLEE, | } Selectmen of Greenfield. |
| FRANKLIN C. FLETCHER, | |
| CHAS. H. HOPKINS, | |

TREASURER'S REPORT.

| | | |
|--|-----|-----------------|
| | Dr. | |
| To whole amount received, | | \$7993 58 |
| | Cr. | |
| By paid Selectmen's orders, | | \$7869 85 |
| Balance in the hands of the treasurer, | | <u>\$123 73</u> |

FRANKLIN C. FLETCHER, Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

| | | |
|---|---------|----------|
| Paid Frank Lee for board and care of Luke Felch, | \$26 50 | |
| E. Richardson, clothing for Luke Felch, | 1 85 | |
| R. Patch, coffin and digging grave for Luke Felch, | 15 80 | |
| S. H. Partridge, medical attendance on Luke Felch, | 11 10 | |
| J. E. Stearns, boarding Luke E. Felch, | 34 00 | |
| Jas. Sawyer, expense of carrying L. E. Felch to Stoddard, | 4 00 | |
| J. Sawyer, clothing and other expenses of L. E. Felch, | 3 96 | |
| R. Bradford & Co., clothing for L. E. Felch, | 10 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | | \$107 21 |
| Received of Luke Felch, | \$ 2 57 | |
| For bed and other articles sold, | 6 00 | |
| Of town treasurer to balance the account, | 98 64 | |
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| | | \$107 21 |

There is no one receiving help from the town at the present time.

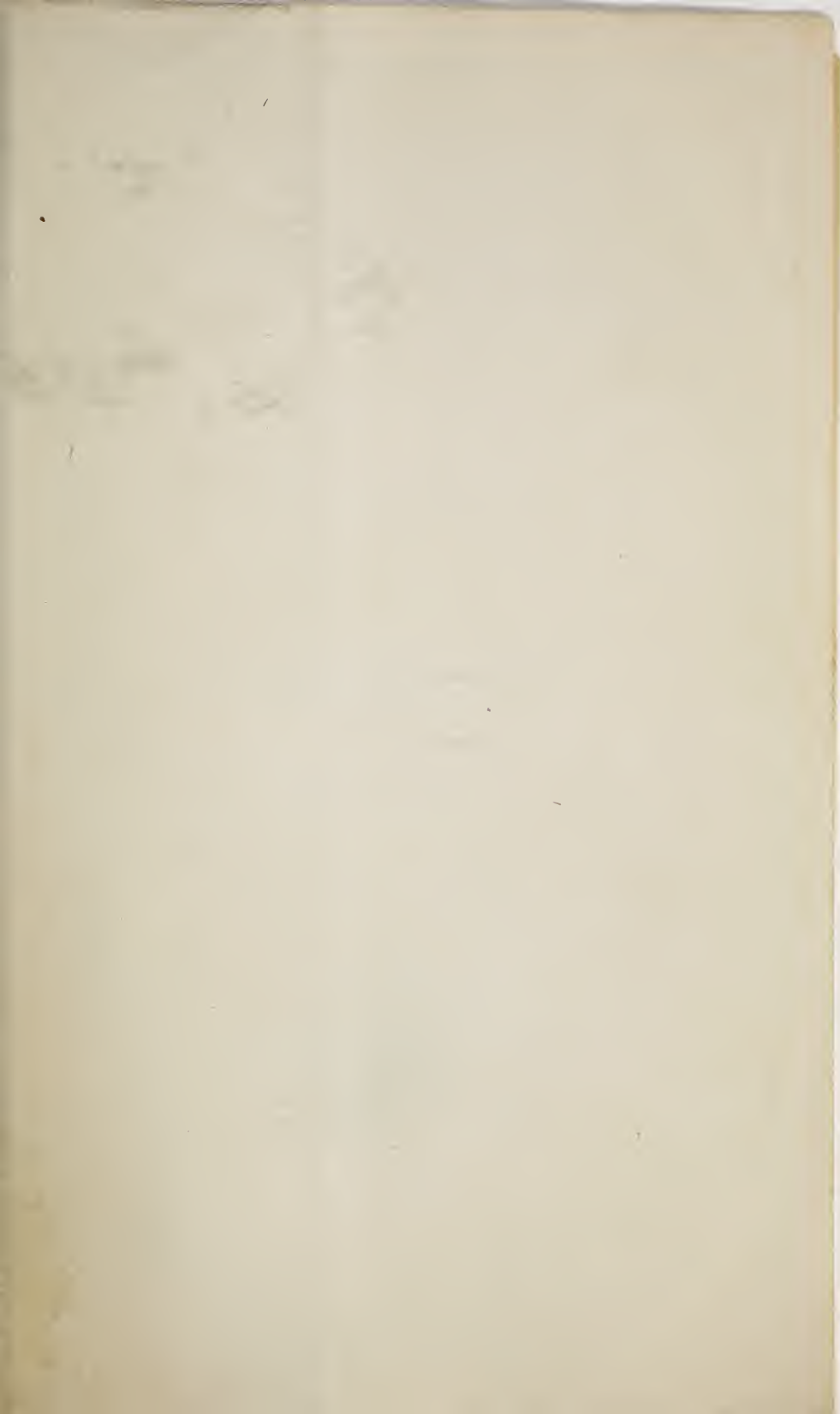
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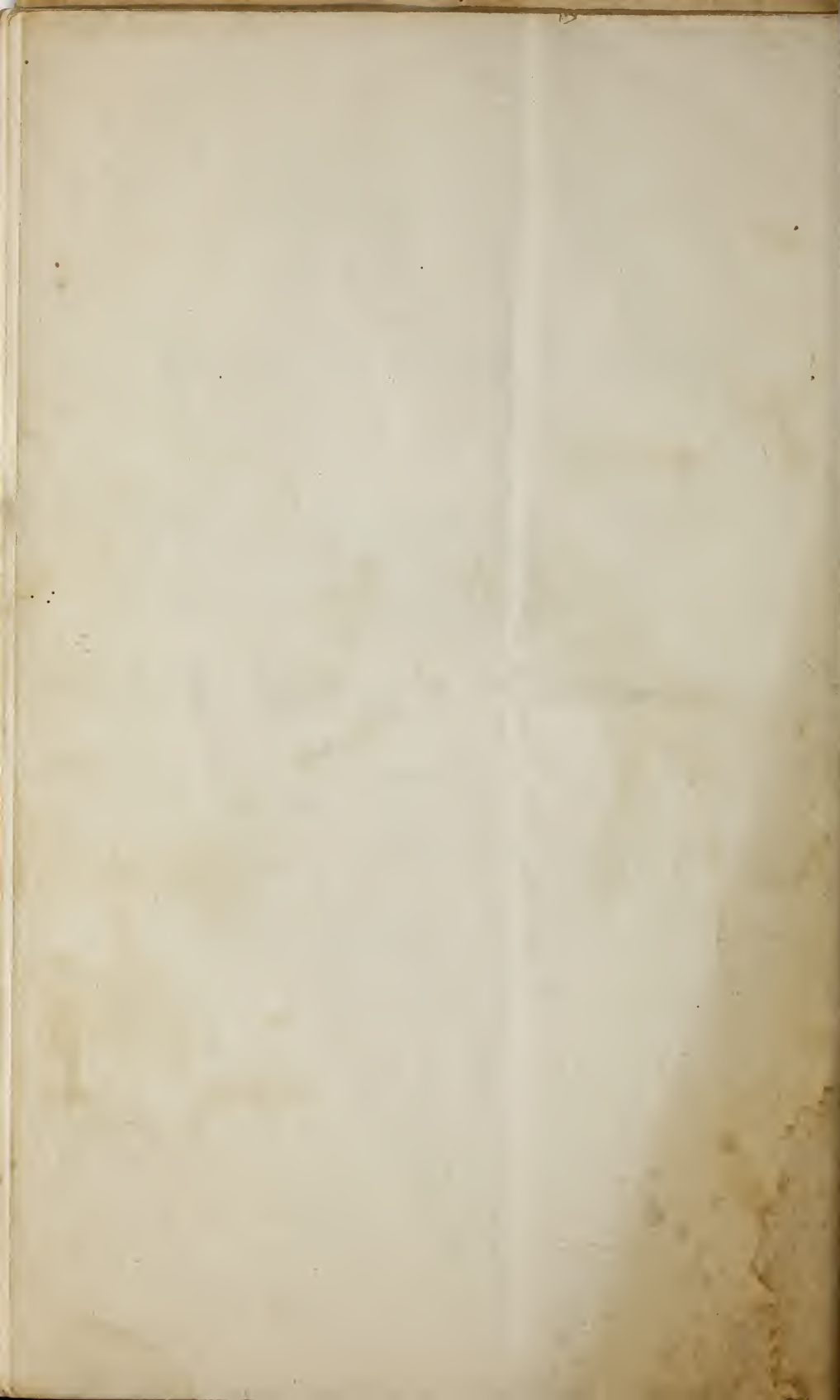
JAMES SAWYER, Overseer of the Poor.

Greenfield, Feb. 24, 1877.

Your committee have examined the foregoing reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and Overseer of the Poor, and find them correct.

JOHN FLETCHER, { Auditing
CHARLES F. PEAVEY, } Committee.





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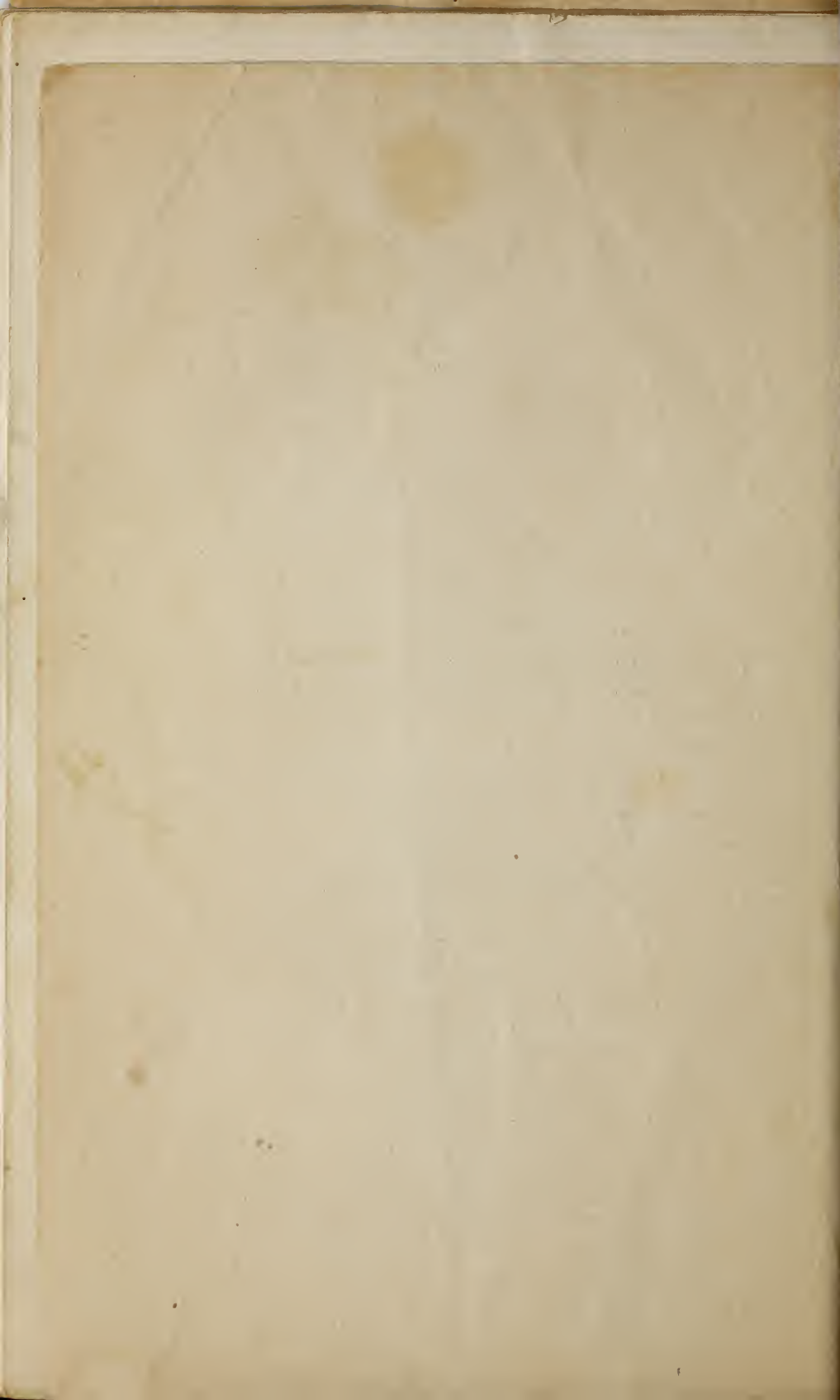
FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1878.

PETERBORO':

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1878.



SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Charles S. Lowe, Prudential Committee.

Summer term, Nettie M. Giddings, teacher. Miss Giddings understood the duties of a good teacher, coming from a town where schools are considered an important factor in the elevation of its citizens. And she labors in a quiet way to make the school what it should be,—and with some degree of success. And some classes recited quite well at the examination.

Winter term, Emma A. Rowell, teacher. A teacher well qualified, yet wanting in some of the inherent qualities of an *earnest*, successful teacher. The pupils needed to feel the bit and curb of a sharper discipline to accomplish the best results.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Charles Blanchard, Prudential Committee.

This school was under the care of Miss Evie C. Blanchard of Francestown, both summer and winter terms. There was considerable improvement the first term, especially in reading, which Miss B. is well qualified to teach.

The condition of the school at the close of the last term was not satisfactory to your committee. The school was restless and noisy; some of the recitations were very good, but generally lacked in thoroughness. From the register we copy,—“Think if the parents visited the school more often during the term, they might be better satisfied.”

DISTRICT NO. 3.

D. R. Gould, Prudential Committee

Summer term, teacher, Abbie Robbe of Peterborough. In this district the number of scholars is amply sufficient to afford room for emulation and mutual excitement. The scholars, in consequence of their living in the most active and busy part of the town, exhibit a good deal of natural vivacity. This renders discipline more necessary, and at the same time all the more difficult, but renders rapid progress under good *discipline* and teaching all the more certain. Miss R. met the exigencies of her position remarkably well.

Fall term. Your committee failed to be present at the examination of Miss Robbe's second term; but Mr. Fitch was present and gave me his approbation of the school and of Miss R.'s method of instruction, which is an honor to any teacher.

Winter term was under the care of John T. Robertson. A teacher of some experience, but for some cause failed to secure the good will of some of the large boys, who did not seem to treat the teacher and his advice with that deference and respect which is due from the pupil to the instructor; and, after labor-

ing with the school for about eight weeks, saw fit to retire from the school.

This school is now in session under the care of David A. Stiles, a teacher of much experience, and his success is too well known to need any comment from your committee.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

We visited this school at its commencement; found it under the care of Mr. Morris Chany of Bennington; the school was doing quite well. At the close we were prevented from being present, on account of the severest snow storm of the season. From inquiring of those interested, we learned that Mr. C. gave good satisfaction; and we wish him success in a calling for which we think him well adapted.

DISTRICTS NOS. 5 & 8.

Prudential Committee, George French.

Emma J. Nahor, Peterboro', teacher. We were happy to find in this district an old-fashioned school, in respect to numbers. There were 32 scholars, with a good average of nearly 30, necessitating the labor of putting in additional desks, which were well filled with active and earnest pupils. We were also pleased to notice a commendable ambition on the part of the teacher to labor earnestly for the mental improvement of her pupils. The closing examination evinced to the patrons of this school that time and labor had not been spent for naught.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Prudential Committee, James E. Stearns.

Teacher, Hattie L. Pettengill of Peterboro'. This school was under the care of Miss Pettengill, both summer and winter terms. A teacher of good scholarship; the school was quiet and orderly when visited by your committee, and exhibited a commendable degree of improvement. If there was a fault in this school, it was a want of energy and spirit found in larger schools, averaging less than four in summer and eight in winter.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Prudential Committee, B. W. Hardy.

Teacher, Miss Ella C. Ware of Hancock. Miss Ware has many excellent qualifications for a successful teacher. Not the least among these is an ambition to succeed, working with an enthusiasm which inspires its counterpart in the scholars. How can her pupils be sleepy, listless and inactive, when they see the teacher striving so hard for their improvement. Such a live condition of a school is favorable for work and progress, and classes will show it. I think I may truthfully say this was the best school in town. These remarks may apply to both summer and winter schools, they both being under the care of Miss Ware.

REMARKS.

It is not easy for your committee to understand the reason why so many parents of this town have become apparently indifferent to the interest of our

common schools, when no other interest, save religion, is of equal importance. It is with no ordinary solicitude that we should ask, whether we are deriving all the advantages from our schools that we ought. It is generally admitted that the future course of the rising generation is shaped and moulded by its institutions. If the mind is not rightly started in its course of discipline and improvement, it is never properly directed and grows up in ignorance, never apt to be a burden than a blessing to society. We should act upon this great truth, that the boys of to-day will be the men of to-morrow. One word about corporal punishment in our schools. I never have intimated to any of the teachers but what it was sometimes necessary to resort to this if other measures failed, being of the opinion that the moral taught by the old fable of the rude boy in the apple tree was a good one, and the end justified the means used. And the question is worthy of consideration, are we raising better men and women under our present lax method of discipline, than were raised under the more austere method of our fathers.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN FLETCHER, S. S. Com.

Greenfield, March 12, 1878.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1878.

Assessed upon the Polls and Estates of Residents, and upon
the Estates of Non-Residents in the town of Greenfield,
for the year, 1877, \$5048 31

MONEY RECEIVED.

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Received on taxes assessed, | \$4295 00 |
| On dog tax, | 27 00 |
| Interest on taxes since Dec. 1, | 13 04 |
| On tax list of 1874, | 4 34 |
| On tax list of 1875, | 61 66 |
| On tax list of 1876, | 655 00 |
| Interest on taxes of 1876, | 15 00 |
| On dog tax of 1876, | 11 00 |
| For use of town hall, | 7 00 |
| For use of hay scales, | 26 18 |
| Money borrowed, | 710 00 |
| Savings bank tax, | 605 39 |
| Railroad tax, | 38 90 |
| Literary fund, | 55 71 |
| Of treasurer of last year, | 123 73 |
| Of county, | 840 23 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$7489 18 |

AMOUNT PAID OUT FOR BREAKING ROADS IN SPRING OF 1877 AND WINTER OF 1878.

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Paid Rogers R. Wilson, | \$ 8 87 |
| J. Holt, | 6 60 |
| George P. Holt, | 70 |
| Mrs. Miles Robinson's man, | 83 |
| Charles M. Butler, | 2 45 |
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 4 40 |
| John L. Fish, | 3 90 |
| George W. Wood, | 3 15 |
| James Sawyer, | 2 40 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, | 4 65 |
| Levi Dodge, | 3 45 |
| Dearborn Lakin, | 10 25 |
| W. F. Russell, | 2 50 |
| Reuben Dutton, | 5 55 |

RECAPITULATION.

| | | |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Whole amount received, | | \$7489 18 |
| Whole amount paid out:— | | |
| State Tax, | \$ 808 00 | |
| County Tax, | 460 50 | |
| School Orders, | 774 60 | |
| Notes and Interest, | 3895 83 | |
| Breaking Roads, | 190 85 | |
| Repairing Highways and Bridges, | 368 35 | |
| Miscellaneous Expenses, | 703 48 | |
| | | <u>\$7201 61</u> |
| Balance in the hands of the treasurer, | | \$287 57 |

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Due on tax list of 1864, | \$ 4 38 | | |
| With the following abatements: | | | |
| Jeremiah Baldwin, | \$1 58 | | |
| Miles Robinson, | 2 80— | | |
| Due on tax list of 1867, | | 13 75 | |
| Due on tax list of 1870, | | 2 00 | |
| Due on tax list of 1871, | 23 40 | | |
| With the following abatements: | | | |
| Ira Cummings | 2 72 | | |
| Amos Dane, | 96 | | |
| Andrew Haskell, | 1 56 | | |
| Daniel Perkins, | 43 | | |
| Stephen Richardson, | 72 | | |
| Frank G. Smith, | 4 09 | | |
| Horace E. Holt, | 3 26— | 13 74— | 9 66 |
| Due on tax list of 1872, | | 4 25 | |
| Due on tax list of 1873, | | 21 25 | |
| Due on tax list of 1874, | 74 66 | | |
| With the following abatements: | | | |
| Luke Felch, | 1 50 | | |
| William Cashion, | 2 85 | | |
| H. E. Holt, | 1 50 | | |
| Henry Nichols, | 2 15 | | |
| Heirs of Miles Robinson, | 2 15 | | |
| John A. Wallace, | 1 50 | | |
| J. C. Hurd, | 3 75— | 14 75— | 59 91 |
| Due on tax list of 1875, | 215 53 | | |
| With the following abatements: | | | |
| Asa Blake, | 1 17 | | |
| P. Riley, | 1 56 | | |
| H. E. Holt, | 1 56 | | |
| Benjamin Jaquith, overtax, | 6 13 | | |
| Harvey Nichols, | 1 56 | | |
| J. F. Robinson, | 1 56 | | |
| George E. Wilson, | 1 56 | | |
| Mrs. Daniel George, | 1 19 | | |
| A. P. Swington, | 31— | 16 60— | 198 93 |

Due on tax list of 1876,

\$355 42

With the following abatements:

| | | | |
|--------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| Asa Blake, | 6 50 | | |
| William F. Fields, | 1 71 | | |
| P. A. Gage, | 1 71 | | |
| Benjamin Hardy, | 17 10 | | |
| Horace E. Holt, | 1 71 | | |
| Daniel Johnson, | 1 71 | | |
| Peter King, | 1 71 | | |
| J. F. Robinson, | 1 71 | | |
| C. M. Butler, | 1 71 | | |
| Wm. F. Howard, | 2 57 | | |
| H. B. Lee, | 5 13 | | |
| A. P. Swinington, | 2 22 | | |
| Willis D. Hardy, | 5 13 | | |
| G. W. French, | 3 42— | 54 04— | 301 38 |

Due on tax list of 1877,

753 31

With the following abatements:

| | | | |
|------------------|-------|------|--------|
| Wm. R. Clough, | 3 50 | | |
| James Downing, | 1 75 | | |
| Will Fields, | 1 75 | | |
| William Cashion, | 1 75— | 8 75 | 744 56 |

Whole amount due on tax lists,

\$1355 69

Amount of notes against the town,

\$11473 00

Demands in favor of the town:

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Due on tax lists, | \$1355 69 |
| From the County, | 48 00 |
| From the State, for bounty on hawks and foxes, | 15 20 |
| From the United States, | 558 00 |
| Amount in Treasurer's hands, | 287 57 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2264 46 |

Balance against the town,

\$9208 54

The foregoing is respectfully submitted,

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| HENRY H. DUNCKLEE, | } Selectmen of Greenfield. |
| FRANKLIN C. FLETCHER, | |
| CHAS. H. HOPKINS, | |

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1078

| | DR. | |
|------------------------------------|-----|-----------|
| To whole amount, | | \$7489 18 |
| | CR. | |
| By paid Selectmen's orders, | | \$7201 61 |
| Balance in the hands of treasurer, | | \$287 57 |

FRANKLIN C. FLETCHER, Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

As there have been no residents of this town requiring help, I have no further report to make.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. HOPKINS, Overseer of Poor.

Greenfield, March 1, 1878.

Your committee has examined the foregoing reports of the Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor, and find them correct.

GEORGE E. BAILEY, Auditing Committee.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MARCH 1, 1879.

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SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Prudential Committee—WILLIAM F. RUSSELL.

SUMMER TERM. Taught by Miss Lizzie F. Cummings. This school has often been called "hard to manage," but this term, under the direction of Miss Cummings, we find the discipline was strict, and the instruction rendered thorough and practical; an interest was awakened in the minds of the pupils, and at the closing examination the school exhibited decided improvement.

WINTER TERM. Taught by the same teacher, whose untiring efforts to bring this school up to a higher standard than heretofore, proved successful. She maintained her authority, but it required the exercise of constant vigilance. The classes in reading and spelling made fine improvement. Many useful general exercises were introduced by this teacher during both terms. We commend Miss Cummings to prudential committees. "The board was given by the district."

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Prudential Committee—FRANK W. BLANCHARD.

SUMMER TERM. Taught by Miss Abbie M. Shattuck. This was Miss Shattuck's first term of school. The method of instruction adopted, as far as was observed by the Committee, was

satisfactory, and the progress of the scholars pretty good. At the close, most of the classes were prompt in their recitations, and to all appearance general harmony had prevailed throughout the term.

WINTER TERM. The services of Miss Shattuck were again secured, but at the expiration of four weeks, illness compelled her to abandon the school. She was succeeded by Miss Ella L. Woodward, a second inexperienced teacher, who taught the remainder of the term. The examination at the close exhibited some improvement. The declamations and recitations were of an entertaining character, but it could not be called a MODEL SCHOOL, as whispering was carried on with impunity.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Prudential Committee—JOHN M. DAY.

SUMMER TERM. Taught by Miss Lucy F. Morse. With a large number of eager and perceptive minds in this school it requires a rare combination of talents in a teacher. From the disinterestedness of the older portion of the school, your Committee was led to believe that this teacher was only moderately qualified. The exercises at the examination were so conducted that it was difficult to determine whether any progress was made or not. Think, however, that the smaller classes advanced in reading. The exercises of a general nature at the examination were pleasing to the many visitors present. Abbie M. Day, Arthur Savage and Eddie Hopkins, are reported as being present every half day of the term, without being tardy also. The average deportment of the school is excellent.

FALL TERM. Taught by Miss Abbie Allen. Miss Allen is a teacher of the finest qualifications, possessing an intellect well fortified with acumen. She is able to lead the more advanced pupils up the rugged hill of science; and yet, willing to adapt herself to the tyros in learning. The instruction imparted by this teacher was thorough, systematic and practical, leaving an impress upon the mind not easily to be effaced. She could

GOVERN and TEACH the same day without any apparent effort. A large number of visitors attended the examination, which was well worth an admittance fee.

WINTER TERM. Taught by Mr. David A. Stiles. Mr. Stiles entered upon the discharge of his duties as teacher with his accustomed earnestness, and secured in a high degree the confidence and kind regard of his pupils. While all the classes at the close of the term APPEARED WELL, the higher classes in Arithmetic performed some very difficult and complicated examples upon the black board in a very neat and accurate manner. This school gave a further exhibition of their attainments in the town hall, some of the pupils appearing as ACTORS upon the stage for the first time. The articulation and pronunciation of each one was not only distinct and accurate, but expressive. The varied and entertaining exercises were listened to by a large and appreciative audience.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Combined with Bennington and under the direction of Bennington Committee. Responding to a call from the teacher, Miss Fannie Lakin, to furnish a few books, we did so, some of them gratuitously.

DISTRICTS NOS. 5 AND 8.

Prudential Committee—DANIEL FLYNN.

WINTER TERM. Taught by John T. Robertson. Mr. Robertson is well qualified for his work, and evidently engaged in it with a sincere desire to benefit his pupils. They, too, were disposed to make the best use of their advantages. Fair progress was made in all the branches pursued, and in reading the improvement was so great as to merit particular notice and commendation.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Prudential Committee—GEORGE W. WOOD.

SUMMER TERM. Taught by Miss Susie A. Wood. This teacher entered upon her duties, in many respects, with the dignity of an experienced teacher. The pupils under her instruction were well taught. They manifested an interest in their studies and made fine progress. Miss Wood was well qualified to teach this school, and could as easily have taught FIVE as TWO, that might and ought to have enjoyed the rights and privileges of their own district.

WINTER TERM. Taught by Newell J. Sawyer. We visited this school near the commencement of the term. The scholars were well classed, and good order was established. We were again permitted to visit it at the close, and noticed that good improvement had been made in the several branches pursued. It is an honor to Mr. Sawyer to be able to enlighten the minds in the path of science in his own district.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Prudential Committee—JOHN CAIN.

SUMMER TERM. Taught by Miss Ella J. Bragg. We retain a very pleasant impression of this school during our first visit. It was characterized by neatness and order. The teacher was energetic and efficient, and a successful term was predicted. At the close our expectations were fully realized. The older pupils were prompt in their recitations, particularly in Arithmetic. The school room was fragrant with the odor of choice flowers, plucked from Dea. A. N. Hardy's flower garden, which lent enchantment to the scene.

WINTER TERM. Taught by Miss E. Loena Fairbanks. Miss Fairbanks passed a creditable examination, and has had much experience in teaching. She labored faithfully and patiently, securing the respect and good will of her pupils. Although there were not as severe tests applied at the examination as in some schools, still, comparatively good improvement was made by most of the classes.

In presenting the report of the schools for the past year, we are happy in being able to state that a new impulse has been given them by the introduction of new books. As a change in text books was very much needed in all the schools, the following have been adopted, partly in exchange for old ones of a corresponding grade: Guyot's Geographies have been taken in exchange for Harper's School and Introductory. Walton's Arithmetic getting somewhat antiquated, Greenleaf's Mathematical Series were recommended, and four districts have already adopted them. In place of Hillard's Readers, the Franklin Series were substituted. These books were not introduced hastily; not before obtaining from their publishers a sample copy of each, and giving them a careful examination, also comparing them with similar ones, of which we had copies. We feel an inward assurance that we have made choice of the latest and most highly approved. These books have been furnished at publishers' prices, amounting to sixty-five dollars (\$65.00); deducting therefrom eleven dollars (\$11.00), the sum paid for old books of a corresponding grade, leaves a balance of fifty-four dollars (\$54.00) expended in the several districts for new books.

We congratulate District No. 1 on having such a neat and tasteful structure. With an expenditure of \$44.00 during the past year it has been painted outside and inside. We commend their example in regard to neatness and cleanliness of their school house, to District No. 3.

Through the efforts of Mr. D. A. Stiles, spelling has received unusual attention in the Centre District, during the Winter Term. Evening spelling schools were revived, and attended by *citizens* as well as *pupils* from other districts.

We do not overstate the truth when we say that during the past year the schools have been a decided success.

Before closing, I would say that my relation to the schools has been to me every way pleasant. The pupils have been polite and respectful, regarding our advice for their welfare and improvement, for which I shall ever cherish a high regard for their future advancement and prosperity.

Respectfully submitted,

S. F. PEAVEY, S. S. COMMITTEE.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

| Districts. | NAMES OF TEACHERS. | RESIDENCE. | Wages per month. | Number of weeks. | Number of scholars. | Average attendance. | Tardinesses. | Dismissals. | Number of pupils not absent. | Visits by Superintendent of Schools | Visits by Prudential Committee. | Visits by citizens. | Amount of School Money. |
|------------|--|---|------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | SUMMER SCHOOLS. Lizzie M. Cummings..... | Lyndeboro'.... | \$12 00 | 8 | 16 15 | 21 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 22 | | | |
| 2 | Abbie H. Shattuck..... | Francetown.. | 10 00 | 8 | 19 18 | 28 | 16 | 3 | 7 | | | | |
| 3 | Lucy F. Morse..... | Concord..... | 28 00 | 9 | 37 34 | 17 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 134 | | | |
| 7 | Susie A. Wood | Greenfield.... | 12 00 | 8 | 2 2 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 12 | | | | |
| 10 | Ella J. Bragg..... | Wilton..... | 20 00 | 7 | 15 15 | 12 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 1 13 | | | |
| 1 | WINTER SCHOOLS. Lizzie M. Cummings..... | Lyndeboro'.. | 32 00 | 17 | 20 19½ | 44 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 2 33 | \$82 03 | | |
| 2 | { Abbie H. Shattuck..... { Ella J. Woodward..... { Abbie H. Allen..... | { Francetown.. { Francetown.. { Greenville | 10 00 | 10 | 19 18 | 60 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 2 | 51 01 | | |
| 3 | { David A. Stiles..... | { Francetown.. | 30 00 | 10 | 42 30¾ | 61 | 11 | 4 | 3 | 1 44 | | | |
| 4 | { John T. Robertson..... | { Greenfield.. | 60 00 | 12 | 35 33½ | 45 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 11 345 | 12 | | |
| 5 | Newell J. Sawyer..... | Greenfield.. | 26 00 | 12½ | 29 27½ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 80 | 65 | |
| 7 | E. Loena Farbanks..... | Peterboro'.... | 32 00 | 10 | 13 11¼ | 149 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 7 7 | 52 | | |
| 10 | | | 20 00 | 7½ | 16 15 | 18 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 73 62 | | |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1879.

Assessed upon the Polls and Estates of Residents, and upon
the Estates of Non-Residents, in the town of Greenfield,
for the year 1878,

\$4601 04

MONEY RECEIVED.

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| Received of taxes assessed for 1878, | \$3658 00 |
| Dog tax for 1878, | 14 00 |
| Interest on taxes for 1878, | 5 65 |
| Taxes on list of 1871, | 3 96 |
| “ “ 1872, | 4 15 |
| “ “ 1873, | 1 49 |
| “ “ 1875, | 5 23 |
| “ “ 1876, | 109 50 |
| Dog tax, “ 1876, | 1 00 |
| Taxes “ 1877, | 559 83 |
| Dog tax, “ 1877, | 5 00 |
| Interest, “ 1877, | 15 17 |
| Hay scales for 1878, | 24 72 |
| A. H. Hopkins, for stone, | 10 00 |
| Barley straw sold, | 3 85 |
| F. C. Fletcher, for use of pasture, | 6 00 |
| Treasurer for 1877, | 287 57 |
| Literary fund, | 48 95 |
| Railroad tax, | 45 28 |
| Savings Bank tax, | 493 15 |
| Money borrowed, | 1427 86 |
| Barley sold, | 18 26—\$6748 62 |

AMOUNT PAID FOR BREAKING ROADS IN 1878-9.

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| Paid Charles M. Carll, | \$ 4 20 |
| Charles S. Lowe, | 19 55 |
| James Shea, | 19 32 |
| George W. French, | 7 81 |
| Levi Dodge, | 5 58 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, | 50 |
| D. & H. Lakin, | 4 97 |
| Mark Rogers, | 8 37 |
| William L. Savage, | 13 08 |

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|----------------------|----------------|
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 9 47 |
| George P. Holt, | 3 88 |
| John Fletcher, | 13 78 |
| George W. Grimes, | 4 75 |
| N. & F. E. Russell, | 9 75 |
| Willis D. Hardy, | 3 37 |
| John L. Fish, | 1 00 |
| William F. Russell, | 1 75 |
| Reuben A. Dutton, | 2 58 |
| Frank I. Lowe, | 1 00 |
| Daniel W. Burnham, | 9 53 |
| George W. Wood, | 1 20 |
| Daniel W. Flynn, | 2 63 |
| Ambrose Gould, | 2 99 |
| Moses Robinson, | 5 65 |
| John O. Colbath, | 3 35 |
| James O'Connell, | 52 |
| John L. Hovey, | 2 00 |
| Robert R. Wilson, | 2 22 |
| James Lewis, | 2 25— \$167 05 |

AMOUNT PAID FOR REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| Paid Charles M. Carll, | \$21 81 |
| Charles S. Lowe, | 45 78 |
| James Shea, | 5 25 |
| George W. French, | 14 19 |
| Mark Rogers, | 3 00 |
| James Sawyer, | 2 50 |
| William L. Savage, | 12 12 |
| Samuel G. Hartshorn, | 3 72 |
| George P. Holt, | 5 00 |
| John Fletcher, | 34 64 |
| George Grimes, | 5 00 |
| Horace Cudworth, | 30 98 |
| James Lewis, | 50 75 |
| John H. Reynolds, | 15 08 |
| Willis D. Hardy, | 75 |
| John L. Fish, | 1 25 |
| Frank I. Lowe, | 27 75 |
| Daniel W. Burnham, | 13 36 |
| Alfred W. Savage, | 3 75 |
| Leonard Bailey, | 3 32 |
| William H. Marsh, | 8 75 |
| George Damuth, | 2 68 |
| Andrew Smith, new road, | 12 75 |
| John O. Colbath, | 6 37 |
| Henry Holt, | 4 25 |
| Robert R. Wilson, | 7 00 |
| Levi Burnett, | 5 00 |
| Augustus Goodness, | 5 00 |
| Freeman Ellsworth, | 3 75 |
| Napoleon Mason, | 3 25 |
| N. & F. E. Russell, | 7 50— \$366 30 |

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid Frank Brooks, | \$ 3 38 |
| Alfred N. Hardy, watering place, | 3 00 |
| Isaac B. Farrington, suowing bridge, | 2 00 |
| Rodney Patch, tolling bell, | 2 00 |

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| C. B. Wallace, constable services, | 6 50 |
| C. B. Wallace, care of street lights, | 19 90 |
| R. Bradford & Co., oil and chimneys, | 13 00 |
| John L. Fish, watering place, | 3 00 |
| Sidney H. Hardy, surveying cemetery, | 9 00 |
| George H. Putnam, watering place, | 3 00 |
| Samuel H. Partridge, for returning births and deaths, | 4 00 |
| F. C. Fletcher, hardware for cemetery, | 75 |
| E. C. Richardson, book case, oil and lamps for town hall, grass seed, &c., | 16 64 |
| E. C. Richardson, police service and care of tramps, | 10 00 |
| E. C. Richardson, services as clerk, | 20 00 |
| E. C. Richardson, paid for postage, | 2 00 |
| E. C. Richardson, feeding 230 tramps, | 29 01 |
| D. W. Burnham, making box for stoves, | 2 25 |
| Miriam Burnham, watering place for 1876-7-8, | 7 50 |
| Hosea B. Carter, check lists, | 1 50 |
| M. V. B. Greene, books and stationery, | 6 45 |
| Savage & Lewis, paints and oils, | 2 17 |
| James H. Brooks, watering place, | 3 00 |
| John Cain, police service, | 2 00 |
| Leonard Bailey, watering place, | 3 00 |
| B. F. Bailey & Son, threshing, and bridge plank, | 9 30 |
| John Fletcher, bridge stringers, | 1 00 |
| William H. Marsh, police service, | 2 00 |
| Henry H. Dunklee, watering place, | 3 00 |
| James Scott, bill and expense on C. Richardson case, | 10 00 |
| H. H. Dunklee, keeping tramps, | 7 00 |
| Supervisors' bill, | 9 00 |
| Edward R. Gould, painting in town hall, | 1 44 |
| G. P. Fletcher, bridge plank, | 5 00 |
| John F. Savage, sawing wood for town hall, | 1 00 |
| John F. Savage, cleaning town hall, | 2 00 |
| C. H. Burns, counsel on Bass case and Railroad case, | 85 00 |
| B. F. Bailey & Son, cemetery fence, | 300 70 |
| Scott & Clark, counsel in 1876, | 2 00 |
| Frank G. Clark, Bass case, | 74 70 |
| Sheep killed by dogs in 1877, | 51 95 |
| A. Fuller, stove, | 10 00 |
| Alonzo Gay, damage on road, | 2 00 |
| John L. Fish, guide post, | 75 |
| Three street lamps, | 19 10 |
| S. M. Buck, painting, | 6 12 |
| S. N. Newton, mason work, | 2 00 |
| N. Morrison, police service, 1877, | 2 00 |
| C. H. Hopkins & Co., zinc for town hall, | 3 63 |
| C. H. Hopkins & Co., paint stock, | 16 10 |
| C. H. Hopkins, services as Overseer of Poor, | 15 00 |
| G. P. Fletcher, land for cemetery, | 300 00 |
| Hermon Abbott, barley for seed, | 3 78 |
| John H. Day, repairing bell, | 1 00 |
| Farnum & Scott, printing, 1878, | 18 00 |
| Thimbles for town hall, | 75 |
| C. H. Hopkins, two trips to Wilton and one trip to Nashua, | 3 60 |
| George Y. Sawyer, counsel fee, | 1 00 |
| Bounty on hawks and foxes, | 10 40 |
| John H. Reynolds, work on cemetery, | 7 00 |
| Wood for town hall, | 4 00 |
| F. C. Fletcher, work on cemetery, | 5 00 |
| C. H. Hopkins, work on cemetery, | 3 00 |

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| F. C. Fletcher, journey to Concord, | 5 00 |
| F. C. Fletcher, journey to Manchester, | 4 00 |
| A. H. Hopkins, stakes for cemetery, | 9 42 |
| S. Frances Peavey, Superintendent of Schools, | 30 00 |
| Henry S. Lowe, damage to plough, | 4 00 |
| Fence for old cemetery, | 82 79 |
| F. C. Fletcher, services as Treasurer, | 20 00 |
| F. C. Fletcher, services as Selectman, | 60 00 |
| C. H. Hopkins, services as Selectman, | 55 00 |
| John H. Reynolds, services as Selectman, | 55 00 |
| James Lewis, Collector, 1877, | 60 00 |
| D. M. White, insurance on town hall for three years, | 60 00 |
| Labor on barley, | 10 25 |
| C. H. Hopkins, Overseer of the Poor, | 25 82 |
| G. P. Fletcher, ploughing barley ground, | 6 50—\$1662 15 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Whole amount received, | \$6748 62 |
| Paid State Tax, | \$ 808 00 |
| County Tax, | 629 76 |
| School Orders, | 681 97 |
| Notes and Interest, | 2178 27 |
| Breaking Roads, | 167 05 |
| Repairing Highways and Bridges, | 366 30 |
| Miscellaneous Expenses, | 1662 15—\$6493 50 |
| Balance in hands of Treasurer, | \$255 12 |

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

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| Due on R. Hardy's Tax List of 1867, | \$13 75 |
| Abated on " " 1867, | 13 75 |
| Due on " " 1871, | \$5 68 |
| With the following abatements: | |
| John F. Savage, | \$3 34 |
| Sarah Buck, | 2 34— 5 68 |
| Due on Tax List of 1873, | \$19 76 |
| With the following abatements: | |
| Thomas Cuddyhee, | \$1 70 |
| Patrick Cashion, | 64 |
| Horace E. Holt, | 1 70 |
| Daniel Perkins, | 5 10 |
| N. Morrison, | 4 89— 14 03 |
| | 5 73 |

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| Due on Tax List of 1874, | \$59 91 | |
| With the following abatements: | | |
| Widow H. Boutelle, | \$5 64 | |
| John L. Brooks, | 1 50— 7 14 | 52 77 |
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| Due on Tax List of 1875, | \$193 70 | |
| With the following abatements: | | |
| H. H. Dunklee, over tax, | \$ 6 24 | |
| G. P. Fletcher, over tax, | 12 48 | |
| John L. Brooks, | 1 56 | |
| Peterboro' Railroad Company, | 140 40 | |
| John A. Wallace, | 1 56 | |
| Frank R. Wilson, | 1 56 | |
| Widow H. Boutelle, | 6 13—169 93 | 23 77 |
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| Due on Tax List of 1876, | \$191 88 | |
| With the following abatements: | | |
| William H. Holt, | \$ 5 57 | |
| Warren Robinson, | 1 71 | |
| Peterboro' Railroad Company, | 85 50 | |
| John A. Wallace, | 1 71 | |
| Harvey Nichols, | 1 71— 96 20 | 95 68 |
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| Due on Tax List of 1877, | \$184 73 | |
| With the following abatements; | | |
| John Chisholm, | \$1 75 | |
| William H. Holt, | 4 69 | |
| Jeremiah Holt, | 4 69 | |
| John LePierre, | 1 75 | |
| John Maney, | 1 75 | |
| James Maney, | 1 75 | |
| Samuel Wilson, | 1 15 | |
| James O'Connell, | 1 75 | |
| Daniel Sawyer, error, | 10 00 | |
| Error in tax reported on list of 1877, | 111 06—140 34 | 44 39 |
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| Due on Tax List of 1878, | \$943 04 | |
| With the following abatements: | | |
| James F. Clark, | \$ 1 60 | |
| Francis Gould, | 12 64 | |
| Elizabeth Lakin, | 5 60 | |
| William H. Holt, | 1 60 | |
| Ephraim Provo, | 1 60— 23 04 | 920 00 |
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NOTE.—The error reported in Tax List of 1877, amounting to \$111.06, occurs by the Dog Tax and Non-Resident Highway Tax having been charged to the Collector, which should not have been so charged.

Amount of notes against the town,

11,406 86

Demands in favor of the town:

| | |
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| Due on Tax Lists, | \$1142 34 |
| from the County, | 48 00 |
| from the State for Bounty on Hawks and Foxes, | 25 60 |
| from United States, | 558 00 |
| for use of Town House, | 6 50 |
| Amount in Treasurer's hands, | 255 12 |

\$2035 56

Due out of the above named sum from the Town
to School District No. 3,

95 12

1940 44

Balance against the Town,

\$9466 42

Respectfully submitted.

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| FRANKLIN C. FLETCHER, | } Selectmen of Greenfield. |
| CHARLES H. HOPKINS, | |
| JOHN H. REYNOLDS, | |

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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| Whole amount received, | \$6748 62 |
| By paid Selectmen's orders, | 6493 50 |
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| Balance in hands of Treasurer, | \$255 12 |

FRANKLIN C. FLETCHER, TOWN TREASURER.

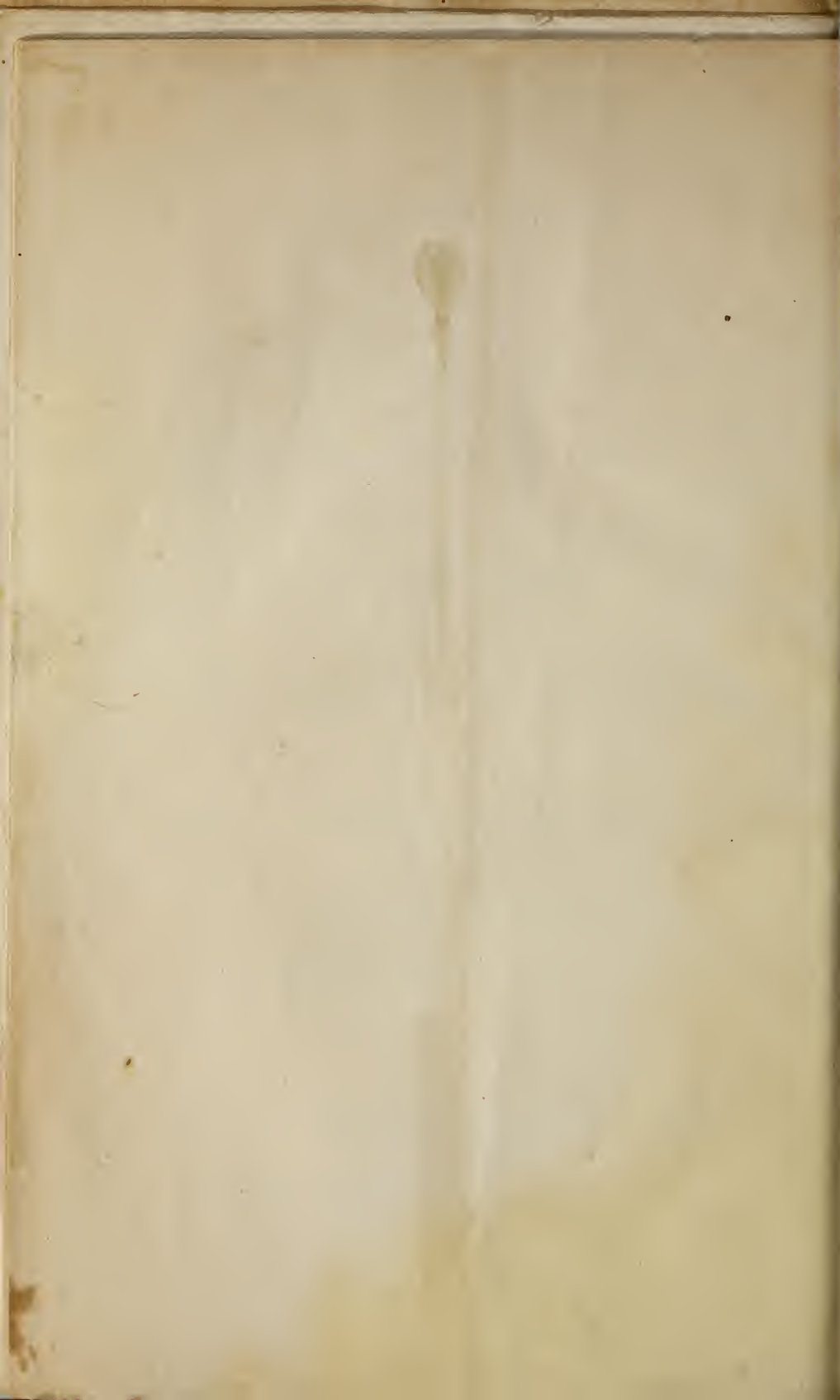
REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

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| To paid for clothing Luke Felch and school books, | \$21 82 |
| Trip to Stoddard, | 4 00 |
| | _____ |
| | \$25 82 |
| Received of Treasurer to balance account, | \$25 82 |

C. H. HOPKINS, OVERSEER OF POOR.

Your Committee have examined the foregoing Reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and Overseer of the Poor, and find them correct.

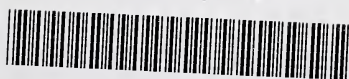
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